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ELECTIONS IN FRANCE

BIG SWING TO LEFT

Three Candidates For Premiership
COMMUNIST SUCCESSES CAUSE SLUMP ON BOURSE

PARIS, To-day.
A statement on the result of Sunday's elections was issued by the French Ministry of Interior yesterday. This statement is complete except for the results of the Corsican constituencies, where incidents occurred and the counts were delayed.

Of 618 constituencies, the results of 616 are now officially available. Of these 616, only 183 are final, while in 533 cases a second ballot must be held next Sunday.

The results in the 183 constituencies where Sunday's vote was decisive, are as follows:

Communists 6 (+3 -0).
Socialists 21 (+2 -0).
Socialist Republicans 4 (+1 -0).
Independent Socialists 1 (-1 -0).
Radical Socialists 23 (+2 -7).
Left Republicans 33 (+5 -5).
Democrats 12 (-2 -0).
Right-Wing Republicans 40 (+11 -2).
Conservatives 4 (+2 -0).

FLANDIN'S VIEWS
M. Flandin, expected back in Paris yesterday, gave an interview to the "Intransigeant" on the result of the ballot, and said: "It cannot be denied that the elections show that the Communists are forging ahead determinedly. It is, however, to be noticed that the policy of concentration has favoured those working for moderation. If, as I hope, this Communist advance will serve as a warning, we shall see at the second ballot the victory of those elements who are of the opinion that an amalgamation of all the Republican forces is more essential than ever."

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UNIVERSITY TRAGEDY

Shooting And Suicide By Professor

LINCOLN, Neb., To-day.
Dr. John P. Weller, Professor of Foreign Languages at the University of Nebraska, who was under notice of dismissal yesterday fired two shots at Dr. Harry Kurz, head of the foreign language department, shattering Dr. Kurz's wrist. Dr. Weller fled but was surrounded by police on the campus. He shot himself in the heart and died in hospital. — Reuter.

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE

From U.S. "Devil's Island"

SAN FRANCISCO, To-day.
A convict named Joe Bowers, sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment for an armed mail robbery, yesterday tried to escape from Alcatraz Island, the "United States' Devil's Island." He ignored the guard's orders to return. Shot in the shoulder and thigh, he fell down a 60-foot cliff and died of a broken neck.
Al Capone and "Machine-gun" Kelly are both inmates of the island, which is reputed to be proof against escapes. — Reuter.



Mr. W. E. Rootes (above), the well-known British motor manufacturer and Chairman of Rootes Securities, Ltd., who is on a six-months' business tour of the world, is now staying at Repulse Bay Hotel.

FEARED LOSS OF CANTON PLANE

Bomber Missing For Nearly A Week

INTENSIVE SEARCH YIELDS NO RESULT

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

Fighters and bombers of the Canton Air Force will continue their search this morning for the missing plane of the Fifth Squadron which has not been heard of since it took off from Chung Fa on April 22, heading towards Shaokwan, North Kwangtung.

Ten fighters were out yesterday in search of the missing plane. Fears are growing that the machine must have met with an accident or been captured by bandits after a forced landing. The plane is a double-seater fighter, equipped with two machine-guns, which would be attractive to bandits.

To-day's search will be final. If no sign of the plane or its occupants is found it will be given up as lost. The planes of the First and Third Squadrons at Shaokwan also took part in the search yesterday.

The machine was piloted by Lieutenant Fong Chee-chi and another lieutenant named Ho.

Officials of the Air Force here believe that the pilots lost their way on account of fog that morning. The machine had no equipment for blind flying.

Chung Fa is only 40 miles North of Canton.

HUNGER MARCH IN TRENTON

Demonstrations By Unemployed

Trenton, N.J., To-day.

Over 1,000 of New Jersey's 270,000 unemployed yesterday made a hunger march to Trenton and camped outside and inside the State Parliamentary buildings, announcing their intention to keep the Legislature sitting until relief funds are provided.

The unemployed last week made a demonstration by taking possession of the Legislature, since when they have been holding an uninterrupted mock session, but last night the real Legislature met after a fortnight's recess. New State taxation will be required if the relief expenditure is to be continued. — Reuter.

GOERING'S POWER

SECOND ONLY TO HITLER

To Control German Economics

BIG DECISIONS IMMINENT

Berlin, To-day.

General Goering will be henceforth a sort of sub-Dictator, second only to Herr Hitler, by his appointment to control and co-ordinate the activities of the various Ministries and departments, which is expected to terminate the tug-of-war which is threatening chaos in the German economy.

The appointment follows an article in Dr. Schacht's organ demanding public economies, partly at the expense of Nazi organisations, whereas Nazi experts demanded devaluation and a budgetary expansion; moreover friction has been engendered by the scramble for the daily division of available foreign exchange between the claims of the armaments industries and the consumption industries, foreign propaganda etcetera.

General Goering's views on currency questions are unknown, but he is understood to be free from prejudices and prepared to take a strong line in reconciling the views of the particular groups. Big decisions are imminent, notably regarding the levy on industry to subsidise exports. This cost over 600,000,000 marks last year. It is unpopular among industrialists, but experts are of the opinion that it must be renewed or Germany must devalue the mark. — Reuter.

DR. SCHACHT AND THE NAZIS

Position Seriously Shaken?

NEW POWERS FOR GOERING

Berlin, To-day.

There has apparently been a sequel to the long-standing feud between Dr. Schacht, the economic dictator, and the leading Nazis, including Field Marshal Goering, with regard to the demands for foreign currencies and credits, which in Dr. Schacht's opinion could not be met.

It is officially announced that Field Marshal Goering has been given extraordinary powers to supervise all questions dealing with raw materials and foreign exchange. It is officially suggested that he will merely help Dr. Schacht, who will retain general control of economic matters, but it is generally thought that Field Marshal Goering's new appointment seriously shakes Dr. Schacht's position. — Reuter.

GERMAN NATIONAL HOLIDAY

Local Celebrations Arranged

On May 1, the German community of Hong Kong will celebrate the German National Holiday.

The German Consul, Herr H. Gipperich, has issued invitations to a reception in the German Club at 11 a.m. All friends in the international community of the Colony are heartily welcome.

In the afternoon there will be a Children's Feast at the German Tennis Club, King's Park, and in the evening a dinner and dance, again at the German Club.



A photograph taken at the farewell function given by the Chinese community last evening at the Hong Kong Hotel in honour of Sir Thomas and Lady Southorn. Sir Shou-son Chow, who presided, may be seen in the centre, with His Excellency the Governor on his right and Sir Thomas on his left. On the Governor's right is Lady Southorn. ("China Mail" photo).

BUDGET DUTIES PASSED

THOROUGH SIFTING OF LEAKAGE

London, To-day.

The House of Commons, by 242 votes to 118, confirmed the Budget resolution embodying new duties on both Empire and foreign tea. It previously rejected a Labour amendment to reduce the duty on foreign tea to 2d., while Mr. Walter Smiles' amendment to reduce the Empire duty by 1d. was withdrawn.

BRITISH POLICY IN FUTURE

Public Declaration Asked For

IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS

London, To-day.

Mr. Anthony Eden was asked in the Commons yesterday afternoon by a Labour member whether the Government would make a public declaration to the effect that unless immediate and effective sanctions were imposed to check the Italian aggression Great Britain would leave the League of Nations and claim complete liberty of action in foreign policy. The Foreign Secretary replied: "The course of events at Geneva in connection with the Italo-Abyssinian conflict must clearly be taken into careful account by His Majesty's Government in determining the future of their own policy."

FURTHER SANCTIONS?

In reply to several questions regarding the future of the League action in the Italo-Abyssinian dispute the Foreign Secretary said that the steps which were to be taken by the League regarding the dispute would be the subject of joint consideration by the States concerned during the meeting of the League Council on May 11. He recalled that in a statement to the Council on April 20 he had made it clear that in addition to action under Article XVII which had already been taken, His Majesty's Government remained ready and willing to consider, together with their fellow-members of the League, the imposition of any further economic and financial sanctions that might be considered necessary and effective for the fulfilment of their obligations. — British Wireless Service.

KING FUAD'S ILLNESS

End Believed To Be Imminent

Cairo, To-day.

A bulletin issued last night says that the condition of King Fuad was unchanged. The gangrene in the jaw has not much increased. It is learnt that the King went into a coma in the evening, and the doctors then judged that the end was imminent. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CONSCRIPTION IN AUSTRIA

Question In House Of Commons

London, To-day.

Answering a Commons question yesterday regarding the decision of the Austrian Government to introduce conscription, the Foreign Secretary said that the matter was under consideration and he was not in position to make a statement at present. — British Wireless Service.

Thanksgiving Meeting

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FROM U.S.A.

Pres. Jefferson May 1
Emp. of Asia May 7
Pres. Coolidge May 7

FROM SHANGHAI

Achilles Apr. 28
Automedon Apr. 30
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Carthage May 1
Potsdam May 3
Aeneas May 5
Aramis May 5
Emp. of Asia May 7
Pres. Coolidge May 7

FROM MANILA

Emp. of Japan Apr. 29
Gneisenau May 5
Taiping May 8

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Santhia Apr. 28
Proteilaus Apr. 28
Behar Apr. 29
Bontekoe Apr. 30
Hosang May 1
Percus May 4
Cremor May 5

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FROM AUSTRALIA

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Carthage (K.L.M. Service) May 2
Closes: Reg. 9 a.m. Ord. 9.30 a.m.

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Chinese Community Pay Warm Tribute

FAREWELL TEA TO SIR T. SOUTHORN

Pleasant Function At Hong Kong Hotel

PARTING PRESENTATION BY SIR SHOU-SON CHOW

SIR Thomas Southorn, K.B.E., C.M.G., LL.D., Governor-designate of the Gambia, and Lady Southorn, O.B.E., were yesterday entertained at a farewell tea-party at the Hong Kong Hotel, when Sir Shou-son Chow presented them, on behalf of the Chinese community, with a beautiful blackwood screen containing a valedictory address.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, accompanied by Capt. W. J. R. Cragg, A.D.C., and Mr. H. J. Crutwell, Private Secretary, was present among a very large and representative gathering of both Chinese and foreign residents of the Colony.

Addressing the gathering, Sir Shou-son Chow said: "Your Excellencies, Sir Thomas and Lady Southorn, ladies and gentlemen, before I read the Address, I should like, on behalf of the hosts, to express our sincere thanks to His Excellency the Governor for his gracious presence, and to our other guests for associating with us in doing honour to two of the most popular citizens of the Colony. Though it is stated in the programme that the valedictory address to Sir Thomas and Lady Southorn is presented by their Chinese friends, it can in truth be said that it is the gift of the whole Chinese community; for if you look at the names of the hosts on the programme, you will see that they represent almost all sections of the community."

"I believe that this is the first occasion in the history of the Colony on which a Chinese document of this nature is formally addressed to a departing official jointly with his wife. We have departed from the time-honoured practice because it is our desire to demonstrate to Lady Southorn our very deep appreciation of all that she has done for the Colony in general and the Chinese community in particular during the ten years that she has been with us. I will now read the Address."

Sir Shou-son Chow then read an address in Chinese, eulogising the characters of their departing guests, detailing the great work done by both during their residence in the Colony and wishing them happiness in their new surroundings and health and long life in the future.

Sir Shou-son Chow then made the presentation of the screen on behalf of the whole Chinese community.

The Original
The Genuine
The Best
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Kong. You were then Officer Administering the Government, and were faced by serious difficulties. Your wise counsel and calm deliberation brought the scheme to a successful conclusion. The local currency is now stable, and as a consequence, brighter views for the future prevail among the people, and trade is gradually improving. Such is an accomplishment of which you may well be proud and for which you will always be remembered.

Unofficial Interests
"Outside your official duties you have worked unsparringly for the benefit of the people. Various organisations such as the Children's Playgrounds Association, the Society for the Protection of Children, the Victoria Recreation Club, the Hong Kong Football Association and others, have all received your help and guidance, and are marching to success as time goes on. Your work on behalf of Chinese charities can be seen everywhere."

"Your Honour was once Chairman of a committee on Chinese Studies at the University of Hong Kong, and in that capacity helped to add brilliance to Chinese learning and to expound its culture. For your valuable services the University conferred upon you the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, thereby eliciting the admiration of scholars."

"We have therefore come to realise that out of loving-kindness you are not only affectionate to your own relations and kindly disposed to people generally, but that you are also a real friend to the Chinese people. It has been observed that if an administrator has ability, and if he has ability, he may lack virtue; but Your Honour has both, and it is on this account that you have become a good official, one who brings prosperity to his country."

Lady Southern's Part
"For a man to rise, however, to the height of his endeavour, to carry out his principles, and to benefit his generation, he must have some assistance before his efforts are crowned with success. In Lady Southern you found the required assistance."

"Lady Southern is gifted with a virtuous nature and gentle presence; she is bountiful, kind, dignified and tactful. She orders your household with propriety, assists you with righteousness, treats all with sincerity, and pursues learning with untiring energy. She is a great scholar and an eloquent orator. When she speaks, her delivery and arguments are delightful; they never weary but are always pleasing and persuasive to her hearers. She is a generous giver and enthusiastic worker in the cause of charity. In matters concerning human welfare it is she who leads the others in all their efforts, never slackening her aim, even though she may sacrifice the time that she should spend at meals or at rest. In all these years she has spared no efforts in charitable work for the Chinese and has been untiring in giving help and relief to the poor. Her benevolence is like sunshine on the surface of the earth, spread equally far and near."

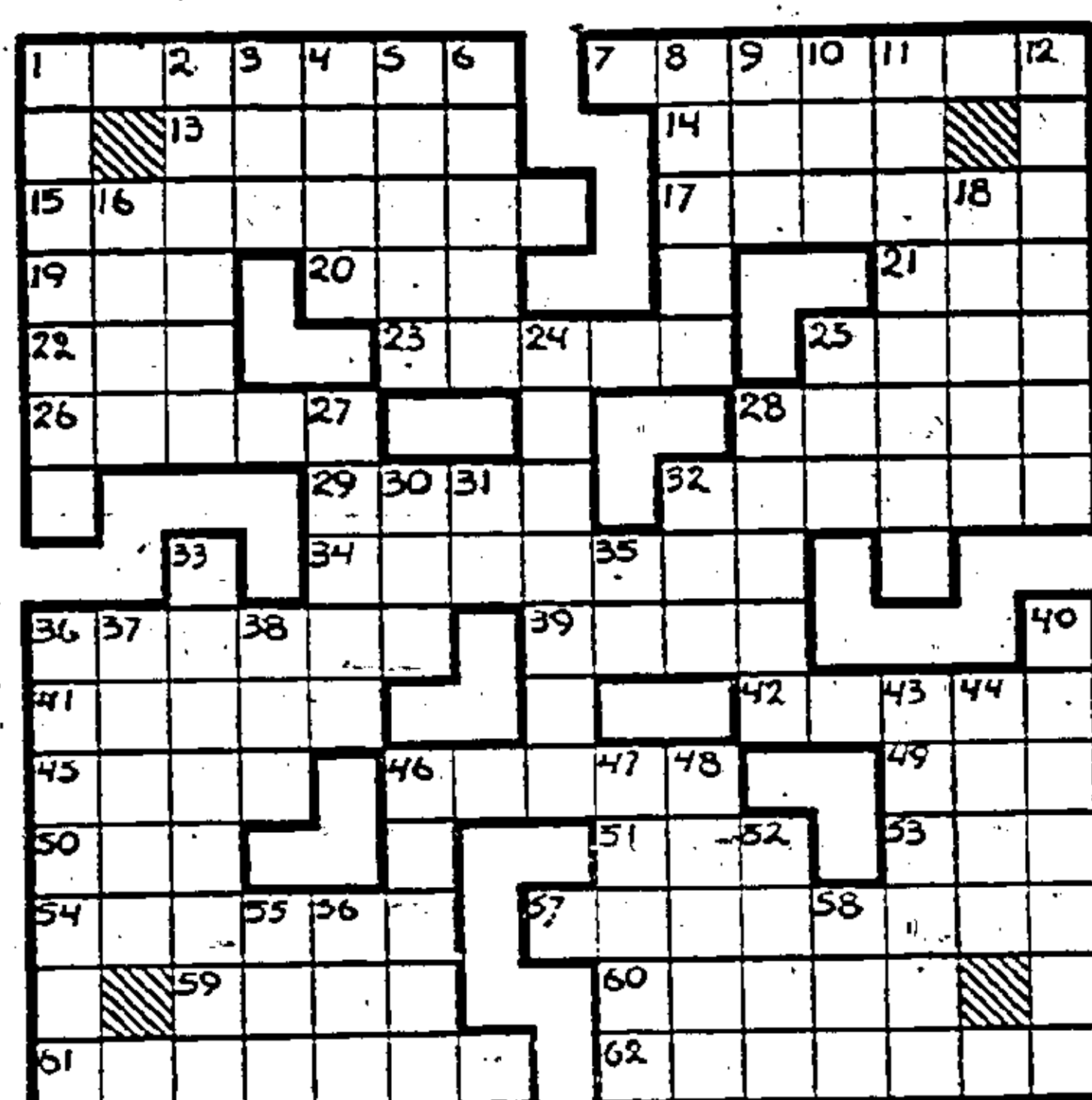
"Since her arrival in the Colony in 1926 she has been Commissioner of the Girl Guides, and has held office as president of the Women's International Club, the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, the Ladies' Protection of Children and other Hockley Club, the Society for the organisations. Whatever she has initiated she has brought to fruition."

"For this reason all people in the four quarters of the globe praise her virtues, and highly admire and respect her."

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

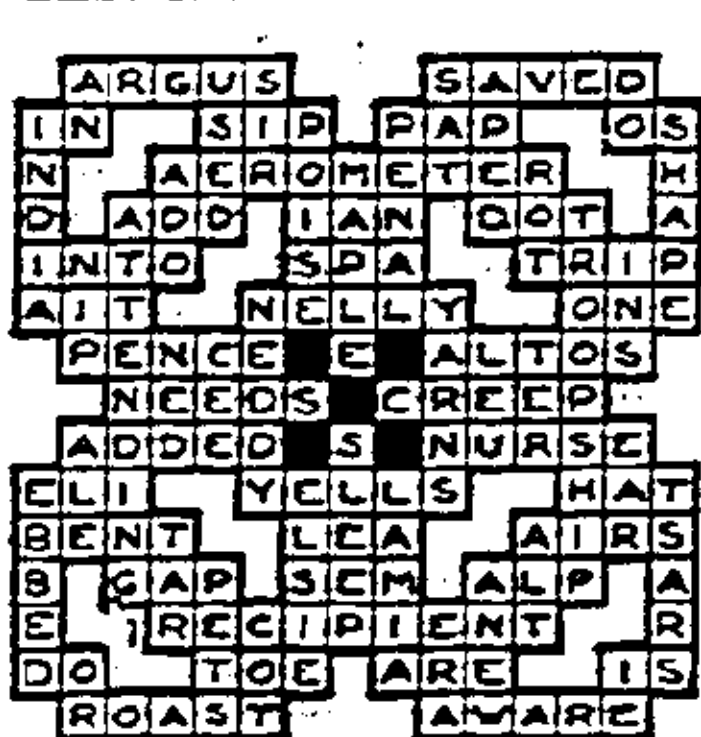
This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



- HORIZONTAL**
1-Friar
7-Those who bribe
13-To wear away
14-Lake of coast of Ireland
15-Scratching
17-Acts in response
19-Owens
20-Man's name
21-A language (abbr.)
22-River in Russian Turkistan
23-The natural fat
25-A horse's gait
26-Excite
28-Part of a stairway
29-To change a course (Naut.)
32-Consumers
34-Anxious
36-Reply sharply
38-Part of the leg
41-Elephant tusk
42-Wafer
43-Prong
45-Chief magistrate of a city
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
49-Substantive ending in nouns of action
50-Diminutive termination
51-Carese
53-Girl's name
54-Man's name
57-Ceased from action
59-Departed
60-Vale in ancient Argolis
61-Containing more sugar
62-Guided
- VERTICAL**
1-Bank official
2-Country of Asia
3-Time period
4-Twisted hemp
5-Magistrate of ancient Rome
6-Man's name
8-Scarier
10-Sheep cry
11-Fenced in
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
12-A relative (pl.)
16-Yell
18-A candle
24-A jailer
25-Perched
27-Each
28-Grades
30-Corrod
31-Comparative suffix (abbr.)
33-A period of time
35-Half an em
36-Solemn ceremonies
37-Wrongs
38-Crude metal
40-Dressed with bread-crumbs
43-Musical instrument
44-Eagle
46-An affray
47-Unfastens
48-To set again
52-Ers
53-Garden tool
54-Entomology (abbr.)
55-Look

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



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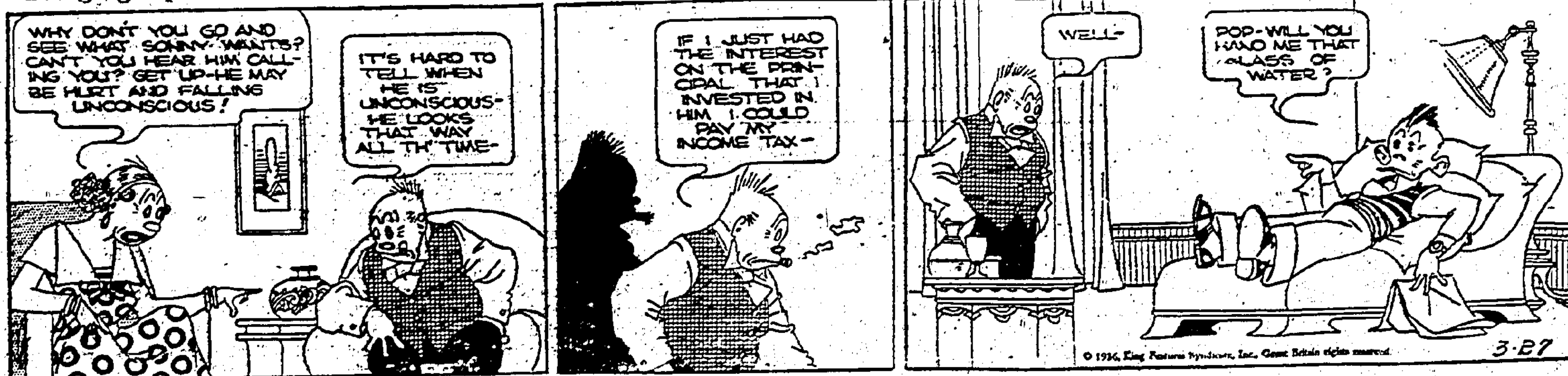
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SPORT NOTICES

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THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 2nd May, 1936, commencing at 2.00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,

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20 Boxes Massage Apparatuses.
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By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 24th April, 1936.

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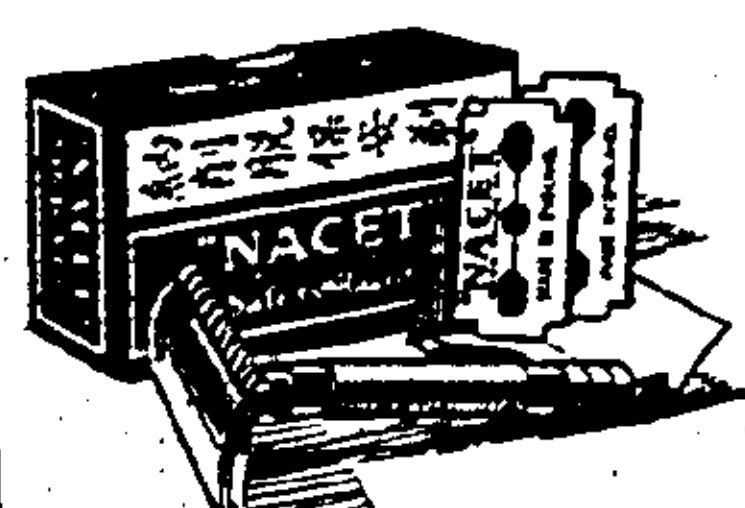
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BRIDGE NOTES

In Which I Lose
A Hat
By Ely Culbertson

My sense of outrage at seeing a bridge hand horribly abused is similar to the fury we all feel when we see a horse being beaten. To me there is something sentient about cards, and this feeling is strengthened by the conviction, based on long experience, that they reward and punish players they esteem or despise.

I suppose it is only natural, holding this theory, that I receive a few rude shocks now and then. And I can remember none so rude as when I "kibitzed" an intimate friend (and supposed disciple) not long ago. I might say, by way of preface, that this particular friend is the most obstinate, perverse, self-opinionated person I know (except, of course, myself). I should have known better than to accept his invitation to "kibitz" and criticise his play.

The first hand made me feel that justice had departed this life.

Neither side vulnerable.
South dealer.

NORTH

S. Q
H. A K 9 7 6
D. 8 6 5 4 3 2
C. 7

WEST

S. J 9
H. None
D. K J 10 9
C. K Q J 8 6 5 2

EAST

S. 7 6 5 4
H. 10 8 5 3 2
D. Q
C. 10 9 3

SOUTH

S. A K 10 8 3 2
H. Q J 4
D. A 7
C. A 4

The bidding:

SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
2S. 3C. 3H. Pass
4C. Pass 4D. Pass
5NT. Pass 7D. Pass
7S. (Final bid.)

"How'd you like my bidding?" my friend whispered while West was considering his opening lead.

"Very consistent," I answered. "Your four bids were equally atrocious."
"Is that so?" he sneered. "Well, I'll bet you a new hat I make the contract."

"Done!" I agreed, and eagerly.

When the lead was made and the dummy exposed with the queen of spades looming enormous and five heart tricks apparently certain, I felt much less cocky. But maybe the spade jack would save my bacon by being three times guarded in either hand.

My friend glanced at the dummy only cursorily, and after winning the club lead, promptly ruffed his losing club with the spade queen! He returned to his hand with diamond ace and played his ace and king of trumps, accepting as quite normal the drop of West's jack and nine. He drew the remaining trumps and discarded his losing diamond on dummy's fourth heart, after which he spread his hand, leering at me like a fiend!

I nearly foamed at the mouth! The consummate ass had bid the hand like a moron and played it like an idiot, and his was the only play which could succeed against the astonishing adverse lay of cards!

"Not a bad start," he chorled. "A grand slam and a new hat!"

I said nothing at all. The cards were already being dealt for a hand that I shall tell you about to-morrow.

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.'s).

4.47 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.
My Sweetheart when a Boy (Morgan, arr. Willoughby).
Silver threads among the gold (Danks, arr. Willoughby).
Mignon—Gavotte (Thomas).
La Cinquantaine (Gabriel Marie).
Love's Dream after the Ball (arr. Willoughby).
Echoes of the Ball (Willoughby).
7.20 p.m.—A Selection of Old Hits by Kate da Costa.
1. Ridin' around in the Rain.
2. Just by your example.
3. A thousand goodnights.
4. True.
5. One hour with you—Medley.
6. The Queen was in the ParLOUR.
7. Just one more chance.
7.45 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Recital by J. Mc. Naught Thompson (Baritone) accompanied by Nura Kanis.

Programme
1. The Curfew Gould.
2. Far across the Desert Sands Woodforde-Finden.
3. Where the Abana flows Woodforde-Finden.
4. Sea Fever Ireland.
5. For you alone Gheer.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal
Weather Report, Stock Quotations and Announcements.
8.05 p.m.—Gracie Fields (Comedienne).
1. One Night of Love.
2. When the robin sings his song again.
3. If all the world were mine.
4. Your dog's come home again.
8.20 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Nura Kanis.

Programme
1. Rigoletto Paraphrase Liszt.
2. Valse in G flat Chopin.
3. Vanished Days Grieg.
4. Improvisation in A flat Schubert.
8.40 p.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
Island—Oriental Fantasy (arr. Casella).
The Gzarina (Ganne)
Savoy Irish Medley (arr. Somers).
Savoy Welsh Medley (arr. Somers).
9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).
9.15 p.m.—Four Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano).
1. La Danza (Rossini).
2. Funiculi-Funicula (Denza).
3. La Villanelle (Dell'Acqua).
4. Voices of Spring (Strauss).
9.32 p.m.—A Violin Recital by Yehudi Menuhin.
1. Concerto in G Major (Mozart).
2. Sarabande and Tambourin (Sarasate).
3. Motor Perpetuo (Paganini, Op. 11).
9.47 p.m.—The Mills Brothers.
Jungle Fever.
Sweet Lucy Brown.
Old fashioned love.
Lincolnton blues.
10 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.
Big Ben: A talk on "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodson.
10.15 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.

RELIC OF TRAGEDY?

A human skull, believed to be that of a woman, was found bricked up in the wall of an old Coventry house which was being demolished.

SUMMER'S AHEAD!

How Are You Going To Meet It? On the brink of another summer, with long, hot days ahead to take toll of your energy and sap your vitality, until at times you feel 'all in', the best preparation to avoid health upsets at this time is to fortify the blood, make it abundant and rich. The demands on the blood are many, for it is this life fluid which feeds the nerves, gives strength to the digestive organs and imports health and energy to all the tissues and muscles of the body.

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Sporting Page



AUSTRALIA AND UNITED STATES TO CLASH IN DAVIS CUP

RESULT MAY HINGE ON DOUBLES

FIRST SUNDAY MATCH IN 36 YEARS

CRAWFORD'S FIRST MEETING WITH DONALD BUDGE

(By A. Wallis Myers)

March 31.

A DAVIS CUP match of vital importance to the countries concerned — and probably to the British holders as well — will take place at the Germantown Cricket Club, Philadelphia, at the end of next month. This is the encounter between the United States and Australia, the winners coming to Europe for the "inter-zone" at Wimbledon.

The third and last day of the match, May 31, is a Sunday. Here a precedent will be established in America. Since the Davis Cup was established 36 years ago no Cup match has ever been advertised for a Sunday. But the Pennsylvania State Legislature now permits collection of gate receipts on that day, and the executive has taken advantage of the new law.

The Australian team, consisting of J. H. Crawford, A. K. Quist, V. B. McGrath, and C. E. Sproule, are now on the high seas and will reach Vancouver on April 17. The American team — selected from W. L. Allison, D. Budge, J. Van Ryn, G. Mako, and B. M. Grant — have already gone into training.

After their first round match against Mexico at Houston, Texas, they will compete in three tournaments before intensive practice begins at Philadelphia.

Crawford And Budge

Since both countries have their eye on Wimbledon, the contest, after negotiation, will take place on turf courts — the scene, in fact, of the first French victory over America which gave them the Davis Cup in 1927. The new summer grass is likely to be slow, and this may possibly prove an advantage to the American team, who will have enjoyed preliminary practice.

Moreover, Crawford is meeting Budge for the first time; and the young Californian has undoubtedly strengthened his game since he was at Wimbledon last year. In a long match his greater stamina may be of value.

I shall be surprised if Crawford and Quist are not selected for both singles and doubles. Quist is the Australian champion and, with Crawford, holds the doubles titles both at Wimbledon and at Paris.

On the other hand, McGrath, although he defeated Allison at Wimbledon, was under the doctor's hand in Australia before he sailed; he has some ground to make up.

Improved Australians

Crawford said, before leaving: "I am satisfied with my own form." He is a modest fellow, not given to boasting, but he was undoubtedly overplayed when he suffered his three defeats by Quist. Nor has he ever done full justice to his genius in America.

According to Dr. C. H. McElhone, a well-known Sydney player, the Australians, by meeting the Americans on their own courts, are playing right into the hands of their strongest opponents.

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BEATEN PORTUGUESE TEAM

The Portuguese soccer team which bowed to the Chinese Olympic team by 6 goals to 1 in Shanghai last Saturday comprised the following:

M. Souza, C. F. Remedios, C. Goncalves, A. Vidal, A. S. Costa, E. Vidal, R. Favacho, J. Rozario, H. C. Collico (captain), L. Rozario, V. Sousa. Reserves: E. Silva, H. Sousa.

THE RIFLE MEETING

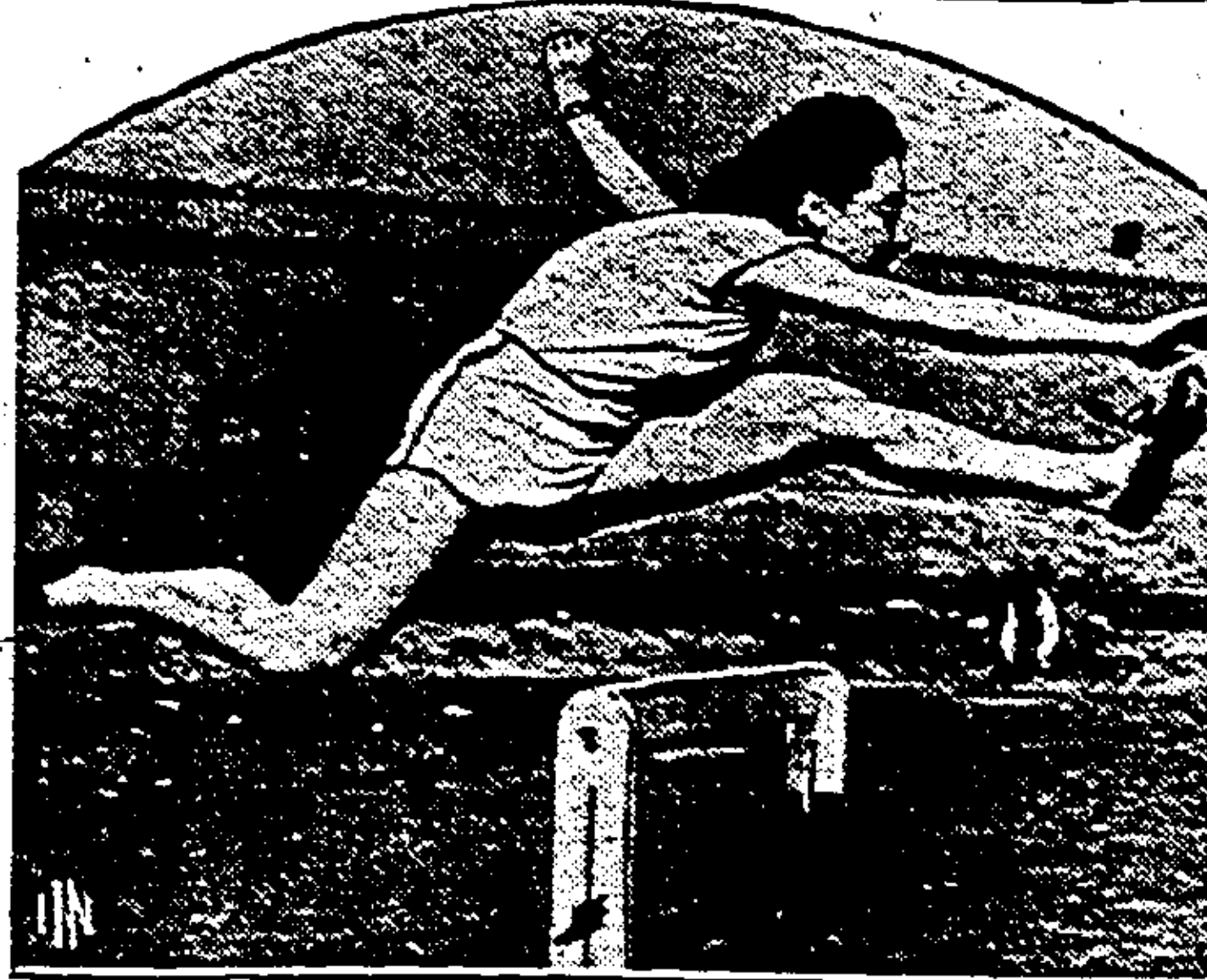
In connection with the annual prize meeting of the Hong Kong Rifle Association next week, a lunch is being given by the President and Members of the Council on the Kowloon Ranges on Monday next.

JOHN DE FOREST BEATEN

Walker Cup Selectors At Deal

Deal, To-day. Two members of the Walker Cup selection committee yesterday watched the opening day of the English Amateur Golf Championship, in which the most interesting result was the defeat of John de Forest, the 1932 British Amateur champion, by C. Stowe, the artisan golfer from Yorkshire, by 2 and 1.

Rex Hartley was taken to the 20th hole by B. Carrick of Norfolk. — Reuter.



Jean Hiller, American A.A.U. hurdling champion, warms up at New York for the vigorous campaign which she hopes will land her a berth on the American Olympic team.

OXFORD ROW RACE OF THEIR LIVES

FOUGHT EVERY STROKE, BUT OUTCLASSED

LIGHT BLUE STROKE SAYS "WE HAD TO ROW ALL WE KNOW"

(By P. N. Carpmal)

London, March 4.

CAMBRIDGE won the Boat Race to-day by five lengths in 21mins. 6sec., this making their 13th consecutive victory.

Oxford won the toss and chose Surrey. This meant that we were to see the best possible race.

The great question was whether Oxford could keep level with Cambridge as far as Harrods. If they could do this then Cambridge would scarcely try to row past them on the outside of the bend.

There was a strong wind blowing from Middlessex and slightly ahead at the start, thus making it almost dead ahead at Harrods. This meant a favourable patch at that point for Cambridge in view of their better watermanship.

As I thought, both crews went off at a higher rate than is usual in the Boat Race.

Oxford immediately took a slight lead. The calibre of the crews at once stood out.

After the first half-minute both strokes lengthened out their crews, but still kept up the high rate.

Laurie was giving such fine poise that there was no evidence of hurry and the rowing was imperturbably smooth and powerful.

Disregard Oxford

The crew as a whole were plainly rowing their own race, entirely regardless of Oxford.

But, great watermen as they were, even Cambridge were having some nasty lurches, and it speaks worlds for Oxford that they had gone into a lead of a quarter of a length by the London Rowing Club.

Everyone was excited to see whether they could add to this and get a substantial lead by Hammer-smith.

Both crews were rowing stroke for stroke. It was a tremendous race.

The Crucial Point

At the end of Wall Oxford were rowing 36 to Cambridge's 32, and were at the top of their form. The water was getting lumpier and Oxford of the two were more off their balance. Occasionally their blades were catching the water at the finish of a stroke.

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FRIENDLY CRICKET

R.A.M.C. Beaten By Old Members

The R.A.M.C. played their last cricket match of the season at Sookunpoo on Sunday when they met a team composed of past members of the Corps, who won a very enjoyable match by eight wickets, the scores being:—

Present: 108 (Sergt. Castell 50). Past: 157 for 9 (F. E. Lawrence 54).

EUROPEAN AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The European swimming, diving and waterpolo championships, for 1936, which have been allotted to England, will be held at the Empire Pool, Wembley, during September of that year. These championships are decided once in every four years. They were last held in 1934, at Magdeburg, in Germany.

MISS KIRKE'S YACHTING WIN

The sweepstakes race for mixed classes at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday resulted in a win for Ariel, sailed by Miss B. M. Kirke. Rolla (Miss Bigg Wither) was second.

GOLDEN GLOVES FINAL BOXING SELECTIONS

Seven A.B.A. Holders Included

GREAT BRITAIN LEAD UNITED STATES

London, April 7.

Great Britain's "Golden Gloves" team to meet the United States in the amateur international boxing contest at the Empire Pool, Wembley, on May 6, was chosen last night by the Amateur Boxing Association, as follows:

Fly—A. Russell (Rotherham Boys' Welfare Club), Res. J. Pottinger (Cardiff Gas).

Bantam—A. Barnes (Cardiff Gas) and L. Cass (Darlington Railway Employees), Res. F. Salmon (Alexandra Club, London).

Feather—J. W. Treadaway (Battersea and Shelbury) and E. T. Ryan (Lynn), Res. A. Harper (Ashton Club).

Light—F. J. Simpson (Battersea) and C. Webster (St. Pancras), Res. F. Frost (Lynn).

Welter—W. S. Pack (Poly.), and Lance-Corpl. G. Spears Dorset Regt.), Res. D. Lynch (Surrey Commercial Docks).

Middle—A. E. Harrington (Victoria A. and N. Battersea) and A. Shawyer (Old Goldsmiths' and London Fire Brigade), First res. M. Dennis (Northampton Poly.), second res. R. Shrimpton (Lynn).

Light-Heavy—J. Magill (R. Ulster Constabulary), First res. A. Shawyer (Old Goldsmiths' and London Fire Brigade), second res. T. Griffin (Poly.).

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NOT FOR OLYMPIC GAMES

C. H. Stoneley's Great Performance

QUARTER-MILE OF GREAT PROMISE

C. H. Stoneley, the Army quarter-mile runner, has gone abroad. He will not be available for the Olympic Games.

Few people realised how great a runner Stoneley was. Last season he was out with leg trouble. In 1934, because of the strain of running in Army fixtures, he was definitely stale when July and the big international events arrived.

In June that year, on the Alder shot track, he ran a quarter-mile in a relay which was one of the finest ever achieved in this country.

Conceding a huge start to C. L. C. Ward, runner-up in the previous year's A.A.A. 440 yards championship, he won with some-thing to spare, his time being just outside 47 seconds. Even more amazing, has last furlong was covered in 23 seconds.

ENGLISH PLAYERS TO TOUR UNITED STATES

Women Lacrosse Team On Instructional Tour

New York, March 26.—Six English women lacrosse players arrived here for a tour of the United States. They are Marjorie Lockley, leader of the delegation; Ivona Davies, Lois Brown, Dianna Cumberlege, M. Osborn Newbold and Nancy Leaf. The English women will visit various sections of the country for the purpose of aiding American women coaches in teaching the finer points of the game.

LOUIS TO MEET SCHMELING IN NEW YORK

San Diego Exhibition Plan Discontinued

\$1,000,000 GATE ANTICIPATED

New York, April 20.

Negotiations for the transfer to San Diego, Calif., of the heavy weight boxing bout between Joe Louis of Detroit and Max Schmeling of Germany have been discontinued, and the fight will take place in New York as originally arranged.

Announcement of the latest development was made to-day by Mike Jacobs, match-maker of the Twentieth Century Sporting Club, and promoter of the bout. He said it had proved impossible to obtain an extension of California's ten-round limit for all boxing contests, and hence the plan to stage the fight at the Pacific International Exhibition had been abandoned.

Stadium Increased

Jacobs said he would proceed with his plans to present the bout at the Yankee Stadium on June 18, and that the seating capacity of the stadium would be increased to make possible a big attendance grossing \$1,000,000 in gate receipts.

Previously a representative of the Exposition, Mr. Mike Marco, had announced that he would deposit in order to bring the fight to San Diego.

THOUSAND-GUINEA CRICKET MATCH

Date Of Historic Clash Is Unknown

London, March 27.

A cricket match between sides captained by peers is depicted on a cream jug sold at Sotheby's to-day £13 10s. to Sir Jeremiah Colman.

When the match took place is not known, for in 1825 the pavilion at Lord's which was the venue, was destroyed by fire, together with the ground's records. The teams were led by Lord Winchelsea and Lord Darnley. There was a wager of a thousand guineas on the match.

GOLF BALL PLAYED ONTO MACKINTOSH

HENRY COTTON IN A DISPUTE

INCREDIBLY BAD PUTTING

(By GEORGE GREENWOOD)

London, March 27.

Henry Cotton, British Open Champion two years ago, and one of the leading figures in the world of golf, was involved in a curious incident, which caused controversy, in the £2,000 tournament on the Bramshot course here to-day.

At the twelfth hole Cotton's tee shot came to rest on a spectator's mackintosh, which was lying on the ground near the green. Cotton asked the spectator to remove the garment, which he did, at the same time picking up the ball and replacing it. Cotton then played the shot.

The question arose: Had Cotton incurred a penalty? The rule on the point states clearly that a ball lying on clothes may be dropped or placed by the player not nearer the hole, without penalty.

Where Breach Occurred

By allowing the spectator to perform the act Cotton, strictly speaking, committed a breach of the rules, involving a penalty of two strokes. From the point of view of equity the committee, quite rightly I think, decided that Cotton had incurred no penalty.

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U.S. CURTIS CUP ITINERARY ANNOUNCED

CHARITY MATCH AT SANDY LODGE

ALSO PLAYING IN BRITISH LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP

New York, March 26.

The United States Golf Association announced yesterday the itinerary for the expedition of the American women golfers who are going abroad to play in the international matches for the Curtis Cup.

The women will leave New York on April 15 for Southampton, match consisting of foursomes where they will spend three days in London playing in a charity match with members of the Sandy Lodge Club on April 27.

They will then go to Glen Eagles, Scotland, where the Curtis Cup matches are scheduled to be played on May 6.

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COTESWORTH WINS

J. G. Cotesworth, with one up, won the Bogey Pool over the Old Course at Fanning during the week-end. There were 19 entries.



Jack Kasey of the University of Michigan cracked all existing aquatic records for the 200 Yards and 200 Metres Breast-Stroke events at New Haven, Connecticut, last month in the National Collegiate A. A. meet. He won the award as America's outstanding college swimmer of the year.

HOME SOCCER CUP-HOLDERS DRAW WITH CHELSEA

COVENTRY HELD AT HOME

London, To-day.

The following were the results of League football matches played yesterday:—

First Division	
Arsenal	1 Chelsea
Third Division (South)	
Coventry	0 Luton
Third Division (North)	
Chesterfield	2 Hartlepool
Crewe	4 Rotherham
Lincoln	5 Tranmere
Scottish League	
Third Lanark	3 Dunfermline

—Reuter.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

Reds Nose Out Cubs In National League

New York, To-day.

The following were the results of yesterday's major league baseball games:—

National League	
Chicago	R. H. E.
Cincinnati	4 11 2
Lombardi hit a homer.	5 9 1
The game between Pittsburgh and St. Louis was postponed owing to rain, while no other games were scheduled.	

American League

St. Louis	1	7	1
Cleveland	2	8	0
Campbell hit a homer.			
This was the only game scheduled.—Reuter.			

K.C.C. BOWLS TEAMS FOR SATURDAY

Games Against Police

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club against the Police Recreation Club in the First and Second Divisions of the Lawn Bowls League next Saturday:—

First Division (At Happy Valley):—A. E. Silstone, E. C. Fincher, J. Fraser and R. P. Phillips (skip).

Second Division (At K.C.C.):—W. Mulcahy, A. Nissim, V. C. Labrum and J. M. Jack (skip).

A "Wappinshaw" tournament will be played at the K.C.C. between players other than those mentioned above.



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TWO YEARS' REST FOR CHILEAN GIRL

LALL SINGH

Doctors Advise Rest From Sport

Colombo, April 3.
As the result of the announcement in "The Indian" that Lall Singh had deserted cricket to become the Assistant Manager of a French Theatrical Company now in Europe, a representative of the "Malay Mail" interviewed Mr. S. S. Gill, Lall Singh's eldest brother, and was informed that, following a recurrence of his old trouble—for which Lall Singh was operated on at Singapore just before the F.M.S. Colony match last year—Lall Singh was advised by doctors to give up playing cricket or indulging in any strenuous sport for, at least, two years.
Captain Lall Singh, as he is known in India, obtained two years' leave from His Highness the Maharaja of Patiala, with the intention of returning to Malaya, but, in the meantime, he received the offer to go to Europe and America as the Secretary and Assistant Manager of a Theatrical Company which is owned by a French millionaire. Lall Singh accepted the offer and hopes, while in Europe, to undergo an operation for his present trouble.

U.S. CURTIS CUP ITINERARY ANNOUNCED

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The women will be the guests of the Royal Lytham and St. Annes Golf Club from May 7 through May 10, playing a match there on the ninth. This will be between members of the American and British teams and a men's team.
Following this match they will go to Southport, England, for the British ladies' championship, scheduled for May 15 to 21. Arr-

IS CHALLENGER TO HELEN WILLS

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"She would have beaten any woman at Wimbledon on that form. She is at least half 15 better than she was last year."
Senorita Lizana had a slight accident at Queen's Club, bumping her head against the wall.
When she "came to" in the dressing-room her first words were "Did I return the ball?"
Her first tournament will be at Tally Ho Club, Birmingham, which begins next Friday.

RESULT MAY HINGE ON DOUBLES

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That unfavourable estimate of their chances remains to be proved. The Australians chose the battleground deliberately to avoid the heavy strain of a European tour, and since they last met their coming opponents on American courts in 1932—where they failed to win one of the five matches—their team has gained in prestige and experience.

The result of the match, even nearer the date, is certain to be speculative. The sides may well "break even" in singles. In a decisive doubles match I should favour the Australians.

Allison and Van Ryn, the present U.S.A. champions, and likely to be selected, have lost some of their old power, while Crawford and Quist twice crowned in Europe, have gained in trustful strength.

Living at this point on May 11, they will have four days for practice before the competition. The party is scheduled to sail for home on May 22.

ENGLISH POLO TEAM LACK PONIES

NOW PRACTISING FOR INTERNATIONAL

BEST CLASS OF PONY ESSENTIAL FOR WESTCHESTER CUP

Fleet, Street, April 8.

THE English international polo team selected to play against the United States for the Westchester Cup at Hurlingham in June are at present practising at Aldershot, where for the past three weeks the ponies have been in the care of captain M. P. Ansell. As a whole the ponies look very well, but some of them hardly seem up to international class, and it is to be hoped that some more really good ones will be lent to the team. Otherwise they will not be able to do themselves justice when the big day arrives.

Captain Ansell has some very nice-looking ponies of his own, including one by the German sire Weissdorn, named Fritz, two bred in Argentina, Warrior and Rico, and St. Gaudens, by the 1924 Two Thousand Guineaes winner Diophon. Captain Ansell purchased St. Gaudens two years ago at Northolt Park. Other ponies that he will be playing include his own Red Cloud; Mariette, a Belgian-bred pony lent by Major R. L. Benson; Mr. J. Daubney's Malasmin; West Countryman, who was played in all the open tournaments in London two years ago by Captain A. W. M. S. Pilkington and is being lent by Mr. Cooper; and an eight-year-old thoroughbred mare named Brown Sue belonging to Major J. F. Harrison. Another interesting mare lent by Major Harrison is Vixen, by Double Bed, and named after her dam, who was played in the international series of 1911.

She will be played this year by the captain of the English side, Mr. E. H. Tyrrell-Martin, who will also ride Colonel Ritson's Poverty, a winner in the light-weight class at Islington. Other ponies that probably will be played by Mr. Tyrrell-Martin are Colonel T. P. Melville's Flying Coot; Felucca, a third-season pony belonging to Mr. Owen; a very nice-looking pony belonging to Captain E. J. Fowler called Fidelity; by Silverdale Loyalty out of Jazz; and a winner on the Flat in Major G. H. Fanshaw's Jersey Lady, by Franklin out of May Lady.

Mr. H. H. Hughes, who will play No. 2 in the team according to present arrangements, has three thoroughbred Argentine ponies of his own named Famoso, Collectivo, and Miscellaneous, of whom I liked best the last-named, who may be on the small side but is all quality. Mr. Hughes will also play three ponies lent by Major R. L. Benson, Misdeed, Sheena, and Cardinal, and another Argentine pony belonging to Colonel Ritson called Dolu.

Captain E. P. Guinness, the back of the side, has two of his own ponies, York and John; two lent by Captain D. J. E. Norton, Dicon and Codyar, the latter of whom comes from Texas; Abbaey, lent by Lord Cowdray; Mr. R. Conant's third-season pony Eastern Pilgrim; by The Vizier out of Spinney; two lent by Mr. H. R. Mackeson, of The Royal Scots Greys, named Lorna and Julian; and Sir Ian Walker's Eugene.

Stud's Other Ponies

Other ponies in the stud include Captain Fowler's New Fashioned, a very nice pony rather on the small side, and another good one in Silverdale Betula; Bethlhem, lent by Mr. G. P. Gregson, of the Royal Horse Artillery; Long Wode, who was played in the International Tournament last year, and has been lent by Mr. E. G. D. Kennedy; and two more belonging to Captain Fowler named Allegiance and Pomalita, the latter of whom is a thoroughbred from Australia. Sir Harold Wernher is shortly sending along some of his ponies, Captain M. J. Kingcote is lending Song Queen, and Major S. C. Deed has also promised one.

When the team will leave for the Beaufort Club will be decided by the weather which, incidentally, has altogether too much to say in the running of polo, as the grounds at Norton have not yet recovered from the recent rain, while Aldershot is in excellent condition.

GOLDEN GLOVES FINAL BOXING SELECTIONS

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Heavy.—V. A. Stuart (London Fire Brigade) and E. P. Floyd (Battersea and "Times"). Res., A. Hunter (Metropolitan Police).

There are no surprises. The Association have followed strictly the results in their championships last week. Seven A.B.A. champions are included in the list.

A. Shawper second string in the middles, will fight as a cruiser-weight. J. Magill is unable to make the journey from Ireland. When the contest was begun a year ago, Great Britain gained an unexpected victory in America.

OXFORD ROW RACE OF THEIR LIVES

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In the rough water the Cambridge crew's blades were almost as perfect as could be, biting the water with the snap and precision of a machine.

The Mile Post was reached in 4min. 42sec., and Oxford had established a three-quarters of a length lead.

Here the water was very rough and the head wind was catching the Oxford blades for these were tending to cock up before taking the water.

Crucial Point

Cambridge quickened and gained nearly a quarter of a length.

The crucial point of the race had arrived. Could Oxford hold on to their lead, or would Cambridge now go straight past, as they always have done in years gone by, with one of the magnificent "twenties" for which they have become famed? Oxford were already making somewhat heavy weather.

Hammersmith was reached with Cambridge still three-quarters of a length behind, and it appeared as if it would be a very similar race to that of 1930, with Cambridge rowing a waiting race round the Chiswick Bend.

Light Blues Spurt

Cambridge, however, were having none of that, and after passing Hammersmith spurred and went up very quickly.

The crews had gone into smoother water, and in spite of being on the outside of the bend Cambridge had gone up level by the stroke. Half a minute later they were ahead, and it was plain that the race was now over.

Stroke For Stroke

Cambridge seemed to have taken new life and were going past Oxford stroke for stroke. But Oxford were still rowing with grand determination, and themselves spurred.

It seemed as if they went up for a few strokes, but as soon as the spurt was over Cambridge went away again fast.

At the bottom of the Eyot both crews were rowing stroke for stroke at 33.

Chiswick Steps were reached in 13min. 11sec. with Cambridge one length ahead.

Oxford seemed to give another spurt, but so powerfully were the Cambridge crew rowing that they could make no impression.

The very appearance of the Cambridge rowing was one of great experience. They were rowing with fine poise and timing.



The latest of the famous swimmers to turn professional is Harold "Dutch" Smith, Olympic diving champion of 1932, who has accepted an offer to coach the 1936 Olympic swimming team for Germany.

Cutting The Corner

Oxford were still fighting hard, but could not stay the speed of Cambridge on the outside of the bend.

At the Meadows Cambridge were two and a half lengths ahead, and at the Pavilion there was a length's daylight.

Both coxes here seemed to be cutting the corner rather fine. Oxford being directly behind Cambridge. The time to Barnes Bridge was 17min. 35sec. Cambridge being four lengths ahead.

Both crews were now rowing home very fast, and neither did less than 36 from here to the finish. I timed both crews to be doing 40 in the last minute home.

In fact, they rowed a magnificent race. Many crews might have been unnerved in finding themselves behind at Hammersmith, and with the outside of the long bend still to come.

I cannot say enough for the fighting spirit of Oxford. They fought every stroke of the race. The race was won decisively by a crew of far greater experience.

Race Of Their Lives

After Hammersmith it was plain that they had the race in their hands, and to this they owed much to the admirable rowing and stroking of Laurie.

He and Wilson were once again brilliant and were well backed up by the rest of the crew.

Cambridge and their coaches are to be congratulated on what must surely be regarded as a fine exhibition of Mr. Fairbairn's ideals.

Oxford rowed the race of their lives, and were unlucky indeed to be outclassed by oarsmanship.

They did well to lead as fast a crew as Cambridge as far as they did, and to row so well in the rear. They set a fine example of pluck for Oxford rowing men to follow.

Let them now take a leaf from Mr. Fairbairn's methods of coaching and go ahead and win.

"Splendid Race"

Laurie, the Cambridge stroke, said after the race:

"It was a splendid race. It was the best Boat Race, I should say, for five or six years at least. 'We had to row all we knew to win.'"

"Oxford drove us very hard. 'It was by far the best Boat Race I have rowed in.'"

Winner, the Oxford stroke, said: "There is nothing to say. We tried our best."

GOLF BALL PLAYED ONTO MACKINTOSH

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Cotton's round of 75, which put him out of the running, was full of incident. On more than one occasion, in obvious annoyance at missing a short putt, he banged the ball on the green.

"I took 39 putts, missing seven of 6ft and less. It is incredible," said Cotton.

COMING "TRANSFER" RUSH

WELL STAFFED CLUBS IN BEST POSITION

TAKES MORE THAN MONEY TO WIN

London, March 14.

USUALLY, at this time of year, there are stories of the coming "transfer rush." One gets numerous reminders that after midnight, March 16, until the season ends, no more transfers of players within the Football League may be made without the sanction of the Management Committee, who will not permit in any circumstances a player transferred afterwards to take part in a game where promotion or relegation is faintly concerned.

This year, the fact that only a fortnight remains has escaped general notice amid the bother over the fight between the League and the football pools. Club managements are well aware of it. There may not be a "rush" of transfers. I do not think there will, as regards important and costly players. But there will certainly be a good deal of business done.

Officials of clubs that happen to be well staffed may justifiably chuckle. They sell on a "rising market." How well it pays to go to some trouble in carefully selecting young players from minor clubs, and coaching them in the reserves for two or three seasons, may be seen from the recent transfers in which my former club, Birmingham, have been concerned.

In recent weeks Calladine, a half-back, has gone to Blackburn Rovers, Grosvenor, an inside-forward, to Sheffield Wednesday, and Borton, a full-back, to Luton Town. All three have given valuable service to the Birmingham club. I may now reveal that I secured the three of them for a total outlay of no more than £150. At a guess, one would say that Birmingham must have received about £8,000 for their total transfer fees.

No Longer Exciting

So high have transfer fees risen for experienced men that a sum of £10,000 no longer excites attention. Phillips, who left Wolverhampton for Aston Villa, and Doherty, transferred a fortnight ago from Blackpool to Manchester City, are both reputed to have cost this sum.

Quite a number of players have been transferred during the past three months at fees of between £5,000 and £9,000, and the total amount paid out this season must be stupendous.

So Much A Pound

Outside critics of Association football affect to regard this as buying success at so much a pound of footballer, which means in effect that the Arsenal have already bought their way to securing the F.A. Cup—which is, as you and I know, nonsense. The transfer system is not an evil, and the answer to the critics is that no evil results have ever come to light. Rather does it both recreate interest and stimulate fresh interest. League clubs provide new and better players in order to give their supporters—who pay the piper—a better team to support.

This follows the principles of ordinary entertainment and shop-keeping. But only up to a point. That point is arrived at firstly by the strict limits of cash available. No club in the country, not even the wealthiest, can afford to spend money in large sums for long. One doubts if even Aston Villa could repeat their expenditures of this season.

Players Who Move

Secondly, it is unwise to shift players continually from club to club, for the simple reason that the sense of club loyalty which is natural to all footballers, amateur or professional, must begin to wear thin if a player moves frequently. Thus, a man may be known to be a very fine player, yet another club will hesitate to secure him because he may not be quite so enthusiastic as a younger, less experienced, footballer would be.

It is a fact that the best club players are those who are brought up and developed in the one club. To "uproot" a player who has been with one club for ten years, has never known any other League club, and then plant him with another at the opposite end of the country is to run a risk, though the player himself would be honest enough in his effects.

Finest System

For the ambitious young player the system is the finest possible. It enables him to get on. For the old player it is equally good, because it makes it possible for him to continue his career a few more years.

That the transfer system enables to buy success is an idea which is upset every year. In the semi-final round of the F.A. Cup we have four clubs—Arsenal, Grimsby Town, Sheffield United and Fulham. The Arsenal, admittedly, have spent money on building up their team. How much has been spent on the teams of the other three?

I should be surprised if the total outlay for the 33 players who represented these three clubs last Saturday exceeded £10,000.

A glance at the First Division League table reveals quite plainly that the so-called wealthy clubs with expensive teams are not all clustered round the top, while the lower section gives one food for thought along the same lines.

Though money is useful, it only helps. Something more—a good deal more—is required to win good, because it makes it possible for him to continue his career a few more years.

COUNTY CRICKET PROBLEMS

LACK OF AMATEUR CAPTAINS

NINE BENEFIT MATCHES TO BE HELD

(By "LEIGHTON")

London, March 30.

Several cricket counties are having trouble finding amateurs with the necessary ability to captain.

The posts will be shared in more than one case, while Kent, who have never been at a loss for amateur talent, will have as many as three captains this summer.

Three Captains

They are A. P. F. Chapman, B. H. Valentine, and L. Akers-Douglas. Business calls prevent any one of them leading the side permanently, so they will take turns at the job.

During the season nine well-known professionals are to have matches set aside for their benefit. They are:—

Iddon (Lancs), Larwood (Notts), Wensley (Sussex), Nichols (Essex), Goddard (Glos), Mercer (Glam), Boyes (Hants), Geary (Leicester), and Croom (Warwick).

O'DOWD TO RETURN TO ENGLAND

Asks Directors For His Release

Paris, March 27.

Peter O'Dowd, the former Chelsea and England centre-half, who has been playing for Valenciennes F.C., has decided to return to England.

He has written to the directors of the club, asking them to release him. No decision has yet been reached by the club, pending the return of the president, M. Mitouard.

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Zones Of Silence For Hong Kong?

We are strongly of the opinion that a zone of silence, say during the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m., should be tried out as an experiment here. But before this can be done, a vigorous campaign in the education of pedestrians is absolutely obligatory. Week after week the returns of traffic accidents disclose that most of the fatalities are caused by people running or walking on the roadway, or appearing suddenly from behind stationary vehicles. The disregard which a number of road-users show for the elementary rules of the pavement are truly astonishing. It is not fair to blame motorists

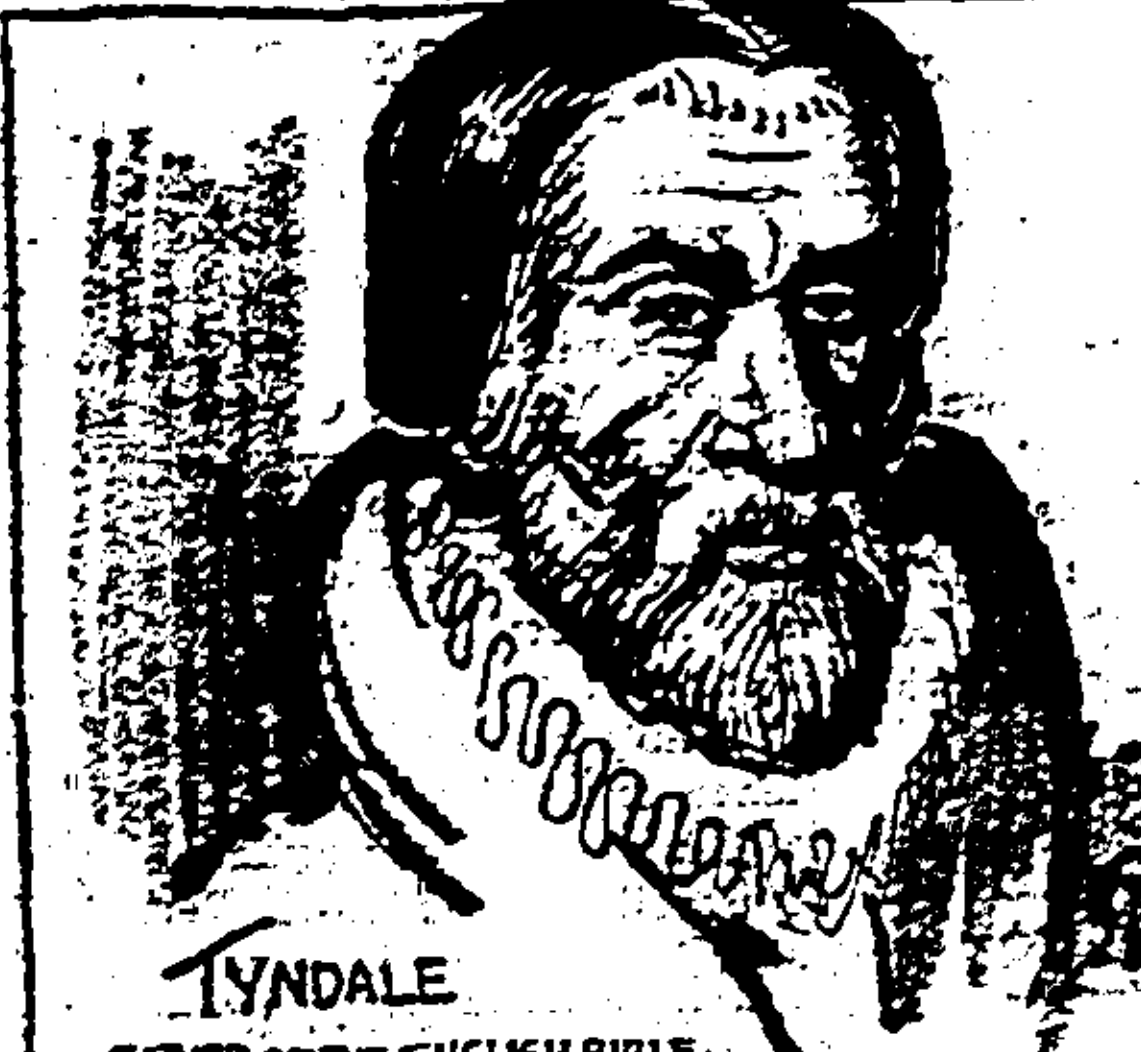
EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

all the time. The motor-horn has undoubtedly has its uses in warning the casual pedestrian stepping off the pavement with his back to the stream of traffic that a Juggernaut weighing anything up to a couple of tons is likely to run him down. The warning, in nine cases out of ten, is definitely needed. But after a careful campaign of educating the pedestrian, it may be found possible to introduce hours of silence, in which the use of motor-horns were prohibited, a large number of people to whom the nerve-racking noises of the city are a real torment would give the sincere thanks for a deliverance from their troubles of this kind.

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MR. W. E. ROOTES VISITS HONG KONG

(By A Special Correspondent)

Mr. W. E. Rootes, the well-known British motor manufacturer and Chairman of Rootes Securities Ltd., who, with his brother, Mr. R. C. Rootes, controls no fewer than 18 important manufacturing and distributing companies, left London on Thursday, January 16, for a business tour of the world, and has now arrived in Hong Kong and is staying at Repulse Bay Hotel.

The Rootes brothers are firm believers in the necessity for the principal executives of British industrial organisations obtaining up-to-date, first-hand knowledge of the actual conditions governing the many different markets of the world. With this object always in mind, they have both made numerous voyages overseas in past years, but no previous trip has been so comprehensive and ambitious as the one Mr. W. E. Rootes is at present undertaking.

Among the many places he has already visited since leaving London are Cairo, Jerusalem, Haifa, Baghdad, Abadan, Basra, Karachi, Ahmedabad, Jamnagar, Bombay, Aggra, Delhi, Calcutta, Madras, Colombo, Penang, Batavia and Soerabaya. He is expected to reach Hong Kong on or about April 28 and will spend a day or two here before continuing his journey by way of Shanghai, Peking, Tientsin, Kobe, Tokyo, Yokohama, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Grand Canyon, Chicago, Detroit, Toronto, Montreal and New York.

Overseas Conditions
Mr. Rootes, who is accompanied by his eighteen-year-old son Geoffrey, will bring his "grand tour" to an end with a voyage home from New York on the Queen Mary, which is scheduled to reach Southampton on Monday, July 13.

Mr. Rootes, whose commercial and industrial concerns have made remarkable progress in recent years, is a whole-hearted believer in the future of British industry. On this extensive trip it will be his endeavour to make as many contacts which are so valuable in expanding the nation's export trade.

He makes his tour as Vice-President of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, the governing body of the British motor industry. Particularly useful to the motor industry in Great Britain will be his reports on conditions in the overseas markets, for in addition to being possessed of a sound knowledge of international affairs he is a shrewd and reliable observer.

Among the well-known motor manufacturing companies controlled by the Rootes brothers are Humber, Hillman, Talbot, Sunbeam, Commer, Karrier, and Sunbeam Commercial Vehicles, the last three named being manufacturers of commercial vehicles for transport of goods and passengers.

Dominating Figure
Mr. William Edward Rootes is Chairman and head of the Rootes Group of Companies, which constitutes one of the most important among the three biggest motor manufacturing organisations in Great Britain. With his brother, Mr. Reginald Claud Rootes, he is the dominating figure of no fewer than 18 companies, which between them directly employ more than 10,000 persons. They include distributing and financing units to deal efficiently with the products of the Manufacturing Division of the Group, which comprises the following front-rank concerns:

Automobile Manufacturers: Humber Ltd., Hillman Motor Car Co. Ltd., Sunbeam Motor Co. Ltd., Clement-Talbot Ltd.

Truck and Trolley Bus Manufacturers: Commer Cars Ltd., Karrier Motors Ltd., Sunbeam Commercial Vehicles Ltd.

Although little more than 40 years of age, Mr. W. E. Rootes has achieved a leading position in the industrial world. With his dynamic personality and remarkable business capacity he has been successful in developing the "old-established firm of Rootes Ltd." into the largest concern of its kind in Great Britain.

An Enthusiast
An enthusiast at British ability to produce goods suitable for world markets, Mr. W. E. Rootes has travelled extensively and the success of the Rootes Companies

MATRIMONIAL TROUBLES IN HOLLYWOOD

Helen Twelvrees Separated From Husband

Helen Twelvrees, the film star, who returned last month from doing a picture in Australia, has got a separation from her husband, Frank Woody.

It is stated that the couple are "maintaining amicable relations." They have a baby son aged 3½.

has largely been founded upon observation of overseas conditions. The experience he has thus gained and the contacts he has made have proved of interest and benefit not only to his Companies but also in Government and important City and financial quarters.

Other Duties
He has served upon many other Governmental bodies; he was a member of the Board of Trade Advisory Committee, 1931-34, and of various Board of Trade Departmental Committees. He was also a member of the Delegation to British Week in Finland, 1933, and of the United Kingdom Trade Mission to Poland, 1934.

Mr. W. E. Rootes has studied closely, and is intensely interested in, the development of intra-imperial and international trade relations, and it is his ambition to foster a spirit of commercial goodwill which will be advantageous to each country concerned.

His primary object in making his present tour of the world is to become even better acquainted with conditions as they exist today; to gain the most intimate possible knowledge of affairs of interest to British commerce, and in particular to the British automobile industry, which holds a position of ever-growing importance in intra-imperial and international trade.

Booklet Issued

The development of the Commerce-Karrier Group as one of the large and rapidly growing producers is steadily proceeding, with the result that both at home and overseas its products are making great strides in public favour.

The reason is not far to seek, for here is a manufacturing organisation with control resting in the hands of people who were trained in the hard experience of the selling and servicing sides. They know and realise what the public (and therefore the motor trade) wants, namely, trouble-free motoring, exceptional value, right sales appeal and understanding of problems governing the motor industry outside as well as inside the factory gates.

The firm has recently issued a booklet entitled "Building on a Sure Foundation" which traces from its earliest stages the history of that most uncommon thing in the motoring world, a successful "combine." It shows a picture which tells its own story as to what can be achieved by virtue management, co-ordinated effort and the elimination of competition between units comprised in the group.

It is safe to say that more and more dealers will be not only looking towards the Rootes Group of Companies, but will be anxious to share in their prestige and profit.

FISH FOR GERMAN ARMY
The Commander-in-Chief of the German Army has given orders that there shall be two fish days in the week in the armed forces. The reason given is the present and expected heavy landings which "on national economic grounds" must all be used for purposes of nourishment.

SLUMP ON BOURSE
Paris: A Government more Left-wing than M. Sarraut's, with the participation of the Socialists and the support of the Communists, is most commonly anticipated as a result of the elections. The

lodge. The lodge, emptying it, was surprised to see a bag fall out. She handed the bag to Mrs. Wills and it was found to contain £80 in notes.

The house was left to Mrs. Wills by the late Mr. William Weeks, whom Mrs. Wills nursed. The money will be divided among the beneficiaries of his will.

BRITAIN AND MANDATES

Categorical Statement In Commons

NO TRANSFER BEING CONSIDERED

London, To-day.
The group of Conservative Members of Parliament, which has been formed with a view to securing official assurances against the future transfer of the League mandates held by Great Britain, are understood to intend to take every opportunity of raising the matter in the Commons. Yesterday a question was addressed to the Prime Minister, who made a statement in reply.

Mr. Baldwin began by recalling the genesis of the mandates, and pointed out that there were no provisions, either in the Covenant or the Peace Treaty or the mandates themselves, relating to the transfer of a mandate from one Power to another, and no such transfer had ever been made. He was advised that before any such transfer could be effected it would be necessary that the consent at any rate of the present mandatory Power and the Power to whom the territory was to be transferred, as well as the unanimous consent of the League, should be secured.

He said he hoped that made it clear that the question of the transfer of a mandate was one which, if it were to be contemplated, would require most careful consideration and would be subject to procedure of a very elaborate nature. It was not a matter which could in any circumstances be subject to any sudden or any hasty decision.

NO CHANGE IN POLICY

With regard to the policy of the British Government, he would repeat once more in the most categorical terms that they had not considered and were not considering the transfer of any mandated territory to any other Power. Mr. Baldwin added that he thought a great deal of the apprehension which the members claimed existed on the subject must be due to the belief that the Government had already been considering such a possibility, notwithstanding the denials which had been given, and that the House might at some stage be faced with a decision.

That apprehension was unfounded. The members might rest assured that the Government had no intention whatever of raising the question themselves, and in the event of any question arising regarding the future status of mandated territories, would not commit themselves to any settlement of the problem at issue without giving the fullest opportunity for discussion in the Commons.—British Wireless Service.

ELECTIONS IN FRANCE

(Continued from Page 1)

The "Intransigent" in a leading article, calls on all adherents of the Centre and Right Wing to go to the polls next Sunday and vote solidly against the Marxist tyranny and overthrow the republican regime. The "Intransigent" emphasises that in Paris, seven National Republicans and one Communist were elected, but not a single Radical-Socialist; and in the Paris suburbs, one National Republican and four Communists, but no Radical-Socialist.

Although it is not safe to make any prophecies, one must be prepared to see about 40 Communists, 120 Socialists and 150 Radicals elected. Of 150 Radicals a large number will not approve of the programme of the "People's Front"—Trans-Ocean Service.

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To-day's Complete Short Story

THE RIDDLE

By E. M. England and M. E. Mackenzie

THE Border Fence stretches for miles and miles from east to west. To the north Queensland reaches far into the tropics; to the south lie the vast plains of New South Wales—plains infested with rabbits, thousands upon thousands of them, drifting up to the fence in the west, using the driven sand as a stile to cross into Queensland, or dying when the drought is on the land—dying in thousands, crushed up against the fence, making ladders for others to cross into the northern state.

But that is in the west. Not a hundred miles from the eastern coast, where the Great Dividing Range crosses from one state to another, where there is no sand and where drought touches but lightly the heavily-timbered mountain-land, the wire fence threads its efficient way through scrub and forest, up and down steep mountain slopes—so well cared for that not one rabbit may escape into Queensland.

Here the primeval forests are superb in beauty and size, the clean straight boles of the gum-trees, the broad-pithed and lofty tallow-woods a joy to the eye. Mainly, however, the fence is laid through rain-forests, or scrubs, as they are called. Figs grow here, so old and spreading, with such great buttressed roots that a mansion could be built on the ground that they occupy.

Black-jack, cudgere, crows-ash, kurrajong and thousands of other trees lift their proud heads high above the foamy soil, their branches hung with orchids and staghorns, with vines that bear sweet perfumed bells of cream and mauve festooned between the trunks and boughs.

Under its shining green roof, the ground below is cool and shaded. Shy lyrebirds scratch among the fern, strong-legged scrub turkeys build their egg-mounds out of the thick brown leaf-mould, and finches and robins make music in the shadow. The whip-bird utters his resounding crack, and the catbirds set up their unhalloved squalling.

Rabbits come up from the creeks in the valleys, nibbling the grass, scampering through the fern, burrowing against the netting, on the New South Wales side. Sometimes they fall into the pits that are set to trap them, but they seldom break through the fence.

The wire fence, sunk well underground, turning in the shape

of an L, confuses them. Strict vigilance is kept, and the smallest hole at once noted and repaired.

So Brer Rabbit has small chance of entering into the northern state here in the east, for Queenslanders know how soon this rich scrub-land could be over-run, how the rabbit-colonies would multiply beyond control, if once they gain access.

Busily occupied near an ant-hill on the Queensland side, of the fence, roamed a porcupine. He was a bundle of prickles from his pointed, bill-like snout to his broad, triangular tail.

His spines were sharp and strong, shading from cream through amber tints to a deep tobacco-brown, so that when he stood he was a mottled mat of shadow, dark as the loam in which he often burrowed, softly-lit as the fern-fronds where the sunshine filtered down through the leaves.

When he walked, his four stout legs moved sturdily, the feet flung upwards with every step, so that the grey-black rubber-like soles were exposed. His was a droll, rather comical gait.

A curious creature, this; a cross, one might almost say, between animal and bird—for on his pretty, pointed face, with its bright black eyes, he had a slender black bill like a bird's, and originally he had been hatched from a black, roughlooking egg no larger than a hazel-nut.

But that was quite a little while ago now. His mother had placed the egg in a pouch below her heart where it lay safe and

warm. Should an enemy approach, she curled up into a ball of dangerous-looking spines, her pouch well covered, her eyes blinking from a fringe of tortoiseshell-coloured prickles.

The egg hatched into a candle-coloured creature that resembled a large grub, with points on one side that would later develop into limbs bill and tail.

Safe in its pouch, the little porcupine grew until it was the size of a tennis-ball, white and opaque on the back, with an abdomen slightly wrinkled like fine white kid.

Its bill was soft and white, and two slant folds in the rubbery head marked the undeveloped eyes. Legs and feet and claws, all white, were in evidence.

Only the merest trace of colour appeared on the thighs and lower part of the back, where minute black spots beneath the surface indicated the first beginnings of spines.

In time the spines grew and the little creature was completely covered, till he was merely a replica of his mother. When his spines became firm enough he left the pouch and walked behind her.

She led him through the scrub and taught him to curl up when he was afraid, and to scratch and burrow so rapidly that he seemed literally to sink out of sight into the ground.

Like her, he was very fond of white ants, and when hungry would burrow into their tall mounds and lick up the tiny creatures. Indeed ants of all kinds were his staple diet, but any insects which he could catch were acceptable.

Eventually he grew into a fine young specimen, larger than his mother, and took to wandering off by himself, independent of her, and quite contented with his own company.

One day, as he walked through the scrub in search of ants, he came to a bare patch of earth upon which the sunlight shone strongly. Cautiously withdrawing into the shadows, he moved his head from side to side, surveying the strip of cleared land and, beyond it, a wire-netting fence.

He was aware of a noise a little way down the mountain side, so he curled up into a ball and rolled under a tangle of undergrowth, waiting.

A man walked up the cleared path with an axe over his shoulder, whistling softly to himself. He

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TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's play will be "The Old Psychology," by Nora Mitchell.

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POULTRY.				
Chicken	46	30	Beef Sirloin	32 24
Capon, Small	48	28	" Prime Cut	30 23
" Large	50	28	" Corned	35 23
Duck	34	22	" Roast	30 24
Doves	each	34 22	" Breast	24 24
Eggs, Hen (cook- ing)	per doz.	30 18	" Soup	25 29
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	"	32 25	" Steak	30 24
Fowl, Hainan	lb.	44 85	" Steak Sirloin	45 39
" Canton	"	60 —	" Sausages	35 35
Geese	"	32 23	" Tongue, fresh	each 70 58
Pigeons, Canton	each	44 30	" " corned	1.00 09
" Hainan	"	28 20	" Head	2.00 00
Turkeys, Cook	lb.	80 —	" Heart	each 24 20
" Hen	"	63 61	" Hump, Salt	20 20
Snipe	each	20 —	" Kidneys	12 19
Pheasant	pair	1.60 2.20	" Tail	25 20
Quail	each	— —	" Liver	lb. 24 13
Partridge	"	10 —	" Tripe	" 80 —
FRUITS.				
Almonds	lb.	90 35	Calves' Head & Feet	set 1.20 1.00
Lemons, China	"	— —	Mutton Chop	lb. 44 26
Bananas	"	5 4	" " "	44 26
Carambolas (Oride's)	"	— —	" Shoulder	40 26
Cocoanuts	each	12 10	" Saddle	44 —
Apples (California)	lb.	30 26	" Brains	per set 10 —
Lemons, American	each	12 10	" Pig's Chitlings	23 27
Lichees, Dried	lb.	1.20 26	" Feet	15 15
Oranges (Canton)	"	30 —	" Fry	26 15
Oranges (Sweet)	"	— —	" Head	15 29
Pears (Canton)	"	— —	" Kidneys	12 19
Oranges (American)	each	14 —	" Liver	lb. 23 25
Persimmons, Large	each	20 —	" Pork Chop	23 25
Pineapples, Large	each	20 —	" Leg	30 —
Walnuts	lb.	28 —	" Fat or Lard	23 21
Grapes	"	55 —	Sheep's Head & Feet	per set 90 60
VEGETABLES, ETC.				
Artichokes	lb.	12 —	" Heart	each 12 3
Beetroot	"	10 —	" Kidneys	15 10
" Long	"	12 —	" Liver	lb. 40 30
Beetroot	"	12 —	" Sucking Pigs to Order	lb. 45 25
Brinjals, Green	"	6 5	" Suet, Beef	30 20
" Red	"	6 5	" Suet, Beef	33 20
Cabbage, Chinese (Shanghai)	dozs	12 —	" Mutton	36 28
Caniflowers (Large)	each	20 —	" Veal	40 29
" (Small)	"	15 —	" Sausages	22 —
Carrots	lb.	8 5	" No. 1	32 —
Celery, Chinese	"	15 10	FISH.	
Chillies, Dried	"	22 —	Barbel	lb. 22 15
" Red	"	13 16	Canton Fresh	" 22 —
" Green	"	10 8	Water Fish	" 22 15
Curry Stalk, English	"	20 —	Codfish	50 65
Campers	"	10 6	Cuttle Fish	10 65
Garlic, Young	"	12 7	Dace	32 10
Ginger, Old	"	10 20	Prigs	55 26
Horseradish, Shd.	"	40 8	Eels Conger	44 —
Indian Corn	each	8 —	Eels Fresh Water	30 16
Lettuce	lb.	8 1	Eels Yellow	55 55
Okras	"	10 8	Gudgeon	15 44
Onions, Bombay	"	8 4	Herrings	35 15
" Green	"	8 4	Halibut	48 63
Parsley	"	30 60	Loabster	22 62
Potato, sweet	"	4 8	Mackerel	22 62
" Japanese	"	8 8	Mullet	22 13
" American	"	10 3	Oysters	24 13
Pumpkin	"	4 4	Pike	16 30
Radish	lb.	6 —	Pork	40 16
Rhubarb (French)	"	4 4	Plum	35 80
Turnips, Fund (Long)	"	7 15	Promfret, White	32 33
Watercress	"	— —	Promfret, Black	15 36
Vegetable Marrow	"	5 —	Prawns	24 26
Water Lily Root	"	5 —	Roach	26 36
Sprinch	lb.	6 2	Salmon	12 10
Tomatoes	"	16 4	Shrimps	16 33
Mushrooms	"	— —	Tench	18 12
			Turtles	80 80
			Small Fresh water	44 12

Surprise In Rice-Tin

Mr. Wills, of Gas-road, Milton Regis, Kent, was cleaning out her kitchen the other day when she found a tin of rice which had been in the house for about 18 months. She had handled the tin many times before but had never used any of the rice.

The house was left to Mrs. Wills by the late Mr. William Weeks, whom Mrs. Wills nursed. The money will be divided among the beneficiaries of his will.

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NEW YORK STOCK
MARKET

Bearish Trend
Seen

SALES ON RALLIES ADVISED

Messrs. White, Weld and Com-
pany, New York Correspondents
for Messrs. S. E. Levy and Com-
pany, report:—

Stocks:—The market to-day es-
tablished a bearish trend, with no
near resistance points. We ex-
pect the current good business to
continue for perhaps another two
months, but the market may be
anticipating subsequent uncer-
tainty. We would advise sales
on rallies. Industrial issues are
below the previous resistance
level, indicating a further sub-
stantial decline if no support ap-
pears before the close. Business
done: 2,200,000 shares.

Cotton:—The rains in Texas are
beneficial, but they are insuffi-
cient, whilst the rainfall in
Oklahoma is entirely insufficient.
Wheat:—While some beneficial
rains have been received, much
more rainfall is needed. We
think it would be advisable to
purchase for a turn. Total sales:
19,224,000 bushels.

Flash:—Steel mill activity for
the past week is estimated at 71.2
per cent. of capacity against 70.4
per cent. the previous week.

COMMODITY PRICES

The following quotations have
been received by Reuter.

Prev. Yesterday
Closing Closing

New York Cotton:—

May	11.58	11.53
July	11.20	11.13
October	10.37	10.27
December	10.35	10.26
January	10.38	10.29
March	10.44	10.33
Spot	11.33	11.77

New York Rubber:—

May	15.99	15.93
July	16.11	16.05
September	16.22	16.19
December	16.34	16.28
March	16.45	16.40

Chicago Wheat:—

May	100%	98
July	90%	87
September	89%	85%

Chicago Corn:—

May	63%	61%
July	62	60%

Winnipeg Wheat:—

May	81%	79%
July	82%	80%
October	83%	82

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Monday

The Annual General Meeting
of the Members of the Hong
Kong General Chamber of
Commerce will be held at the
offices of the Chamber, Char-
tered Bank Building, on Monday
next at 4.30 p.m. for the fol-
lowing purposes:—

- (1) To receive the Report
and Accounts of the Commit-
tee for the year ended 31st
December, 1935.
- (2) To elect a Committee.
- (3) To elect Auditors.
- (4) To transact any General
Business.

LOCAL DOLLAR
STEADY

Silver Prices Firm

The local dollar is steady,
opening on demand this morning
at 1.35 d.
Silver prices were unchanged,
both "spot" and "forward" being
quoted at 20%.

The London on New York cross-
rate was quoted at 2-U.S.\$4.93%,
as compared with 2-U.S.\$4.93%,
while the New York on London
cross-rate was unchanged at 2-
U.S.\$4.93%.

ZLOTY TO BE
CONTROLLED

Government Decree
Published

Warsaw, To-day.
The zloty has joined the ranks
of controlled currencies, with a
decree closely regulating foreign
exchange transactions and es-
tablishing a commission, whose
leave will be necessary for the
purchase or transfer abroad of
foreign currencies, the granting
of credits to foreigners, and the
import and export of gold.

The Government officially ex-
plains that the decision is intend-
ed to prevent speculation and the
undue export of capital, and will
not interfere with normal trading
conditions.—Reuter.

[Earlier cable on Page 10.]

RAW RUBBER PRICES

Latest Quotations From
Singapore

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co.
have received the following
quotations in Straits currency
from Singapore for Raw Rubber.

Buyers	
Spot	26 1/2 Down 1/2
May/June	27 Down 1/2
July/Sept.	27 1/2 Down 1/2
Oct./Dec.	27 1/2 Down 1/2
Market:—Uncertain.	

Canton Ices 1 1/4 n.	
Comments 10 b, 10.15/10.10 sa.	
H.K. Ropes 4 1/4 b.	
Stores, etc.	
Dairy Farms 20 n.	
Watsons 3 1/4 n.	
Lane, Crawfords 26 1/2 n.	
Macintoshes 35 n.	
Sinceres 32 n.	
Wm. Fowells 50 cts. n.	
Wing On (H.K.) 55 n.	
Miscellaneous	
Entertainments 2.90 n.	
S. C. Enterprises 11.35 n.	
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LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Ho Yim-nam, an unemployed,
was this morning sentenced to
six months' hard labour by Mr.
S. F. Balfour at the Central
Magistrate for throwing pepper
into the face of Mrs. Irwata
and attempting to snatch her
handbag near Glenalee yester-
day. Defendant admitted the
charge.

Che Lin, a female, was admitted
to the Government Civil Hospital
suffering from injuries received
when she was knocked down by
private car No. 3595 in Hennessey
Road yesterday.

Ng Yuen was admitted to the
Kowloon Hospital yesterday suf-
fering from internal injuries re-
ceived when eight men assaulted
him in Portland Street yesterday.

A report has been made to the
Police by Leung Kam-chuen, mas-
ter of cargo boat No. 1669W, that
his boat collided with another
cargo boat, No. 1754V, in the
southern fairway at 1.30 yester-
day afternoon and as a result
seven persons were thrown into
the water. They were rescued
by the steam launch 'Hop Sang',
which happened to be near by.
Young Lin-fai a married woman,
and Lo Fo were admitted to the
Government Civil Hospital and
are reported to be progressing
satisfactorily.

A Russian couple, Petrus and
Maria Vitkovski, were this morn-
ing charged before Mr. S. F.
Balfour at the Central Magistrate
with entering the Colony without
a valid passport. The case was
adjourned for 48 hours.

The weekly meeting of the Ur-
ban Council will be held at 4.15
p.m. to-day.

The s.s. Santhia will leave for
Osaka via ports on 6 a.m. on
Thursday.

The Kowloon Chess Club will
meet at 5.30 p.m. to-day at the
Central British School.

The annual meeting of the
China Emporium will be held at
62A-68, Queen's Road Central, at
4.30 p.m. to-day.

The St. John's Cathedral Church
Council will meet to-day at 5.30
p.m.

A Dinner Dance will be held at
Repulse Bay Hotel to-morrow at
8.30 p.m.

CONSUMPTION
OF TIN

WORLD FIGURES
ISSUED

London, To-day.</

C.-IN-C. CLAIMS ALMOST ALL ABYSSINIANS USE DUM-DUM BULLETS

TELL-TALE CASES PICKED UP

BADOGGIO'S REPORT TO ROME

OPEN TOWN OF GOBA BOMBED

—CHINA MAIL—SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.

The Italian Colonial Ministry announces that it has received a telegram from Marshal Badoglio, stating that over 2,000 dum-dum cartridge cases used by the Abyssinians were picked up by the Italian troops after the most recent Abyssinian defeat. Marshal Badoglio asserts that he has definitely ascertained that almost all Abyssinian soldiers carry dum-dum bullets.

A telegram from the Governor of Somaliland declares that of 160 Italians wounded, 120 had dum-dum wounds. Proofs of these statements, together with both telegrams, are being forwarded to the League of Nations.

The semi-official *Giornale d'Italia*, in a very grim leading article, repeats the charge made some time ago that these dum-dum bullets originated in English ammunition factories and were delivered to the Abyssinians in the last few months.

In Geneva, writes the *Giornale*, Mr. Eden tried to turn the League against Italy by bringing unproved charges of the use of poison gas against Italy. — Trans-Ocean Service.

Rome: The absence of a war communiqué yesterday suggests that the fierce Abyssinian resistance to General Graziani's drive to Harrar has not yet been crushed, though authoritative circles declare that things are going very well, and it is felt that big military news is pending, probably indicating that the way to Harrar is clear and possibly even that the fall of Harrar is imminent. — Reuters.

Addis Ababa: Four Italian planes were shot down yesterday by rifle-fire near Sassabaneh, according to a communiqué received here. It is also claimed that two tanks were destroyed by anti-tank guns. It is added that the Italian planes rained explosives and incendiary bombs on the open town of Goba, killing a number of civilians. — Reuters Bulletin Service.

Advance On Capital

Dessie: A seemingly endless column of motor-lorries, accompanied by white and native troops, left Dessie in the direction of Addis Ababa on Sunday. The total number of the troops so far engaged in the offensive is estimated at 10,000. It is expected that the capital will be reached within the next week.

The effect of the Italian advance is indicated by the fact that on Sunday evening the Italian troops had already covered roughly one-fourth of the way. — Trans-Ocean Service.

NAKAYAMA CASE

POSTPONED FOR A FORTNIGHT

Shanghai, To-day.

The case against the three Cantonese in connection with the Nakayama affair has been adjourned for a fortnight, at the request of the prosecution. No definite charges have yet been framed against the accused. — Reuters.

An earlier message said that two Chinese policemen with drawn pistols mounted guard outside the First Special District Court yesterday afternoon, when the hearing began in camera of charges against three Cantonese arrested by the Shanghai Municipal Police in connection with the slaying of the Japanese marine Nakayama. The exact nature of the charges was unknown, since an official conspiracy of silence surrounded the case ever since news of the arrests leaked out last week.

The newspapers were full of speculation concerning the possibility of dark political secrets involved, but the weight of opinion inclined to the belief that private motives were behind the crime.

MURDER CHARGE DROPPED

Lack Of Evidence

ONE DEFENDANT DISMISSED BUT OTHER THREE ON TRIAL

Wong Wing, who was charged together with Chan Ho, Choy Ming and Ho Chuen, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, with the murder of a widow, named Ng Wan-sui, at Kowloon on January 31 last, was discharged by the Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Lindsell who ruled that there was no case against this defendant. The other three accused, however, are still on trial, the case being adjourned at 12.15 p.m. to-day to be resumed at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. E. H. Williams appeared for the Crown, while the defence was in the hands of Mr. Leo D'Almada, jr., instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan. The following jury was empanelled: Messrs. F. A. Hill (foreman), J. Huber, K. Knudsen, N. Z. Kai, H. L. Fox, A. C. Diercks and Lui Yee Chu.

The first witness called when the case was resumed this morning was Detective-Inspector A. H. Elston who, under cross-examination by Mr. D'Almada, said that when he went to the opium divan to arrest the first three accused, another man, the informer, was also present, and he was also taken into custody and charged at the Magistracy. Inspector Elston went on to say that this defendant was also committed by the Magistrate, and added that the Attorney-General had refused to file an indictment against him.

THE STATEMENTS

Evidence regarding the identification parade was given by Mr. G. S. Wilson, after which the police interpreter produced the statements made by the accused. Wong Wing, in his statement, said that Ho Hing suggested to him some time in January that he had a plan to make some money and invited him to take part in it. He refused and Ho then asked if he could persuade any of his friends to do so, but he (first accused) eventually agreed to take part himself and went with them to a shop. He did not, however, go into the shop but merely stood on the opposite pavement and watched.

The second accused said that eight men entered the shop. They searched the place, but, finding no money, they then went to a tea house where he was given \$6 as his share.

The third accused said that he did not murder the woman but

CANTON STUDENT "DUDES"

No More Hyacinthine Locks Allowed

GEN. CHAN CHI-TANG ISSUES STRINGENT ORDER

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

Holding that economy of time and money for students are preferable to good looks, General Chen Chi-tang, Headmaster of the Chungshan Middle School, orders that all students must shave off their glossy hair or at least their tresses must be closely cropped.

No official reason is given for this sartorial order except that General Chen himself and all military men have their hair closely cropped. Such hair-dressing will save students money which would otherwise have been spent on hair tonic, creams, etc. They will waste no more time in combing and brushing their hair in the morning and can rush straight off to their 8 a.m. class after washing their faces.

Nearly all students have been wearing long hair, neatly dressed. The barbers near the school campus expect to do good business to-day. The students regret having to part with their glossy and slick locks, but General Chen will punish those young men who disobey his orders.

Headmaster Chen wants to reform the school after detaching it from Sun Yat-sen University. This new ruling is regarded as a big step forward in the school administration.

took charge of the small boy. The fourth accused said that he did not murder the woman. He was standing near the counter and on it were seven cigarettes. He smoked five of these.

NO EVIDENCE CALLED

Counsel for the defence then submitted that he had no case to answer because there was no evidence that there was a common design to commit robbery with violence.

His Lordship, however, ruled that the fact that eight men had gone into the shop together showed that they were determined to carry out their purpose even if they met with resistance. He said that the case against the first accused might be different in that he merely stood outside and watched.

In reply Mr. Williams said that if several men had planned to carry out a robbery regardless of the fact that they might meet with resistance, they should all be held responsible.

His Lordship, however, differed and discharged the first accused, adding that there was a case against the other three to answer. Mr. D'Almada: I am calling no evidence, my Lord.

Counsel then addressed the jury, after which the case was adjourned.



Along 300 dusty miles of roadway walked this caravan of strikers of the Guanajuato Reduction and Mines Co. who demanded higher salaries and better working conditions. They are here seen marching from Guanajuato to Mexico City to demand a hearing from President Cardenas and labour authorities.



It is believed that Dr. Schacht's, above, position has been seriously shaken by the new powers given to Field Marshal Goering in relation to raw materials and foreign exchange.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE

Great Progress In Britain

MINISTER OF HEALTH'S REVIEW

London, To-day.

The latest figures showing the progress of maternity and child welfare work were announced by the Minister of Health in a speech at the Mansion House yesterday afternoon. Sir Kingsley Wood said that the outstanding feature of last year was the new low record in the death-rate for infants under one year — the rate for England and Wales being 57 per 1,000 live births, against 66 in 1931, 83 in 1921 and 130 in 1911.

For this improvement the maternity and child welfare service could rightly claim the major share of the credit. The number of infant welfare centres now was over 3,300. The number of children under one year who attended the centres for the first time in 1935 was 351,000, equivalent to 58 per cent. of the total births in the year, and in the same period visits were paid by health visitors to 584,000 children under one year, equivalent to over 97 per cent. of the total births.

MATERNITY OF CONCERN. Maternal mortality was on the other hand a matter of concern. The rates of maternal mortality had not shown a comparable advance over the last 30 years, although the provisional figure for 1935 of maternal mortality per 1,000 live births in England and Wales was 4.5 the year before and was the lowest recorded since 1925, when the rate was 4.08. It was at the same time satisfactory to record that the number of parental clinics in England and Wales reached 1,596 at the end of last year, and during the year were attended by 288,000 expectant mothers, representing 45 per cent. of the total births.

The Minister concluded by expressing the hope for the early passage into law of the Government's Midwives' Bill, the second reading of which he will move in the Commons on Thursday and the object of which is to secure the domiciliary service of salaried

RARE ANIMALS IN COLONY

Shipment Going To America

ALBINO MONKEYS AND ELEPHANTS

Some very rare animals were landed in the Colony recently from the s.s. Katori Maru for transshipment to America, among which are a "mongoose-khuda," or species of orang-utan, with a flat face, gigantic arms and a tremendous chest, an albino monkey and a monitor lizard.

These are among other animals which are being shipped to the United States for the Dallas-Centenary Celebrations, Texas, and were all caught in the jungles of Siam, Sumatra and Malaya. Mr. J. Callegan is in charge of the expedition, while Mr. John Maddox, a Singapore boy, who was connected with Mr. Basapa's well-known Zoo at Seletar, Singapore, is looking after the animals.

Patches of White. Among the other animals are three elephants caught and tamed in the Siam jungles. There was much difficulty in leaving Siam with the biggest of the animals, which stands just over 5 feet, as it had a white hide through being smeared with a coating of some substance, which was found hard to remove. The Siamese authorities regard these animals as sacred and refuse to allow their export. However, much of the substance was scraped off, and the elephant still presents a ludicrous sight with patches of white over its body!

There are two smaller elephants of about 4 feet in height and six Malayan pythons ranging from 20 to 25 feet, all of which are in packing cases. They were last fed just before Singapore and seem quite content to lie still in their boxes.

In addition there is an orang-utan from Medan, Sumatra, which is much smaller than the other one, and 19 gibbons (apes) and an albino monkey, pure white with pink eyes.

Kept in a crate are a baby Malayan crocodile and in another a monitor lizard.

The animal are at present in a godown at the Kowloon wharves under the custody of several men. They will leave Hong Kong for America via Japan and Honolulu next Monday by the m.v. Asama Maru.

QUEER RESULT OF HITLER'S SPEECH

Hitler's speech about the Locarno Pact was the cause of two lifeboats being manned and launched.

The crew of a German trawler lying off Anholt Island, in the Cattegat, were so affected by the speech, which they heard on the radio, that they sent up rockets in their joy.

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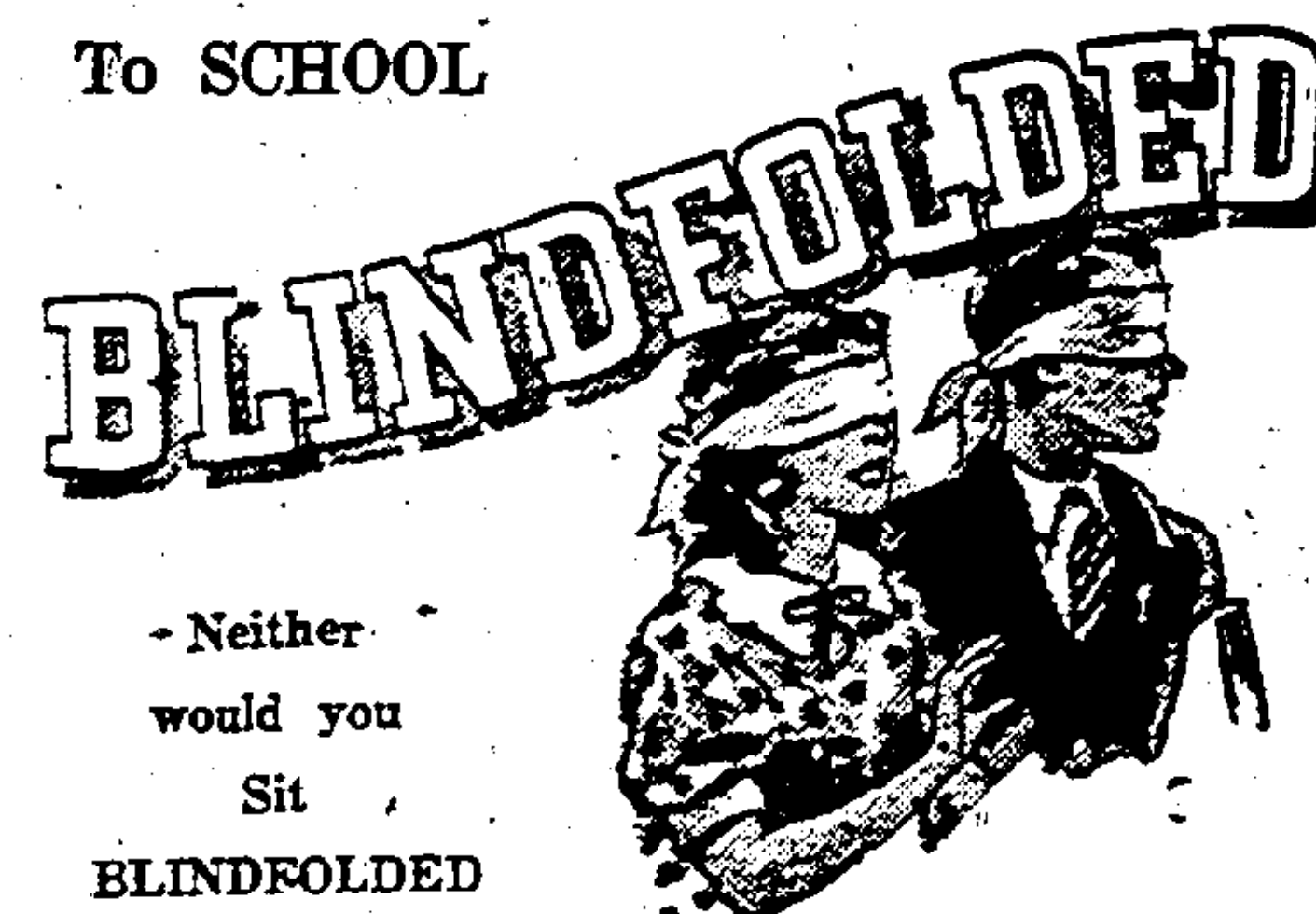
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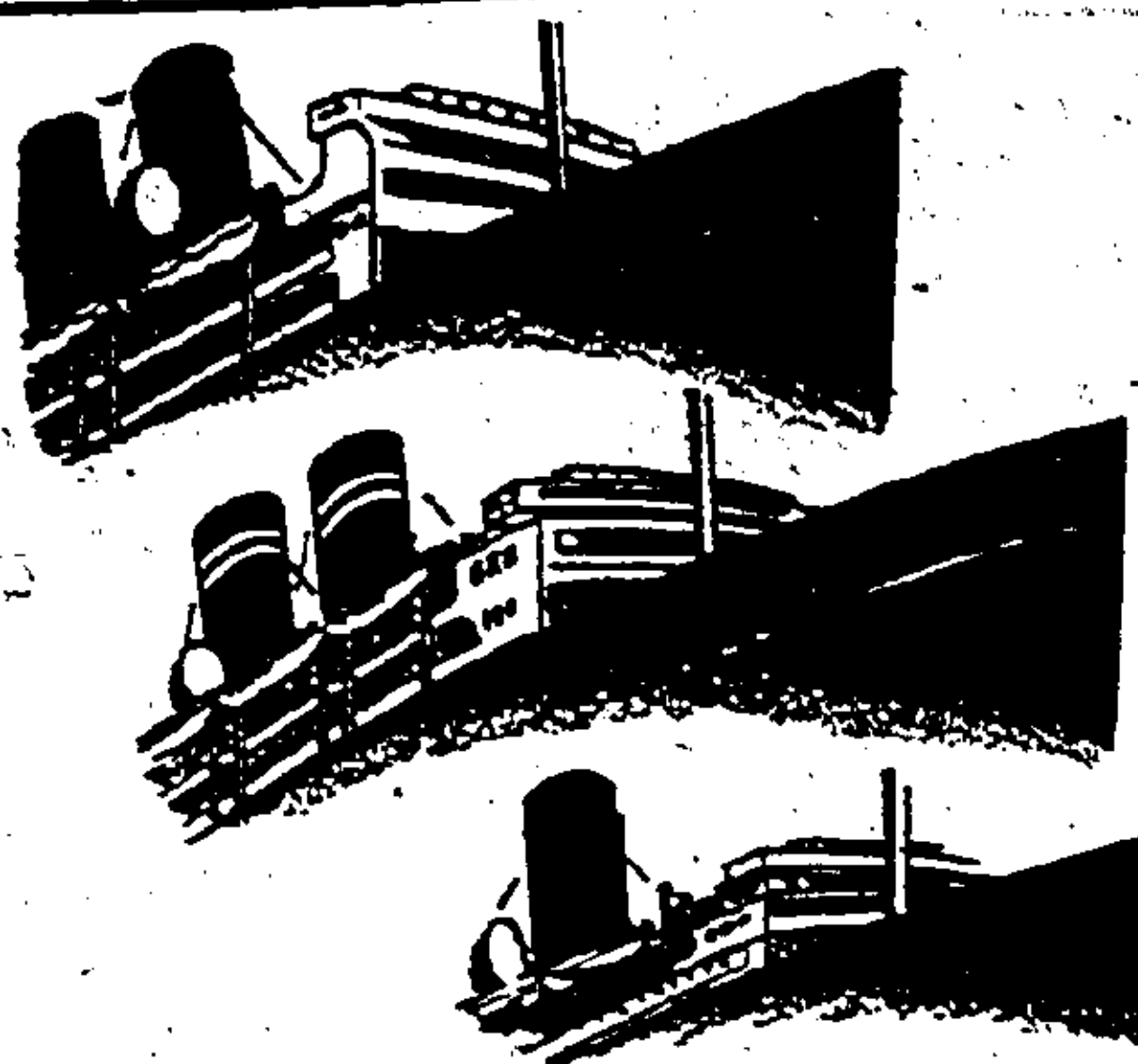
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*SOMALI	6,000	15th Aug.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
KAISER-I-HIND	11,000	22nd Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	5th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CHITRAL	15,000	19th Sept.	Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	17,000	3rd Oct.	Marseilles & London.
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RANPURA	17,000	14th May	Shanghai & Japan.
TALMA	10,000	14th May	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	28th May	Shanghai & Japan.
SIRDHANA	8,000	28th May	Amoy, Shanghai & Japan.
NANKIN	7,000	4th June	Shanghai & Japan.
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BUGBEAR OF STAFF TALKS

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"But you were a party to them," replied Lord Haldane. This Lord Morley strenuously denied. "Have you got your red box of papers of the Committee of Imperial Defence?" replied Lord Haldane. The box was produced. And out of it Lord Haldane extracted a memorandum of Gen. Ewart's exposition to the Committee of Imperial Defence in 1910 of the plans for the concentration at Maubeuge.

Two Postscripts

At the foot of it, in Lord Morley's handwriting, were two tell-tale postscripts, the first "Doubtful if I ought to approve of this," the second, "But I suppose it's in the interests of European peace."

Mr. Lloyd George recalled last month that when M. Paul Cambon, the French Ambassador, went to the Foreign Office for a promise of help and was met with a refusal he said, "There is only one question now, whether the word 'honour' is to be expunged from the English dictionary."

It is a picturesque story and it certainly was current at the time. But the man at the Foreign Office who gave the refusal explicitly states ("Twenty-Five Years," vol. i, p. 85) that the appeal to honour was never employed:

"In that week the most pressing appeals were made to us to promise help but not once in all the arguments addressed to me did either the French or Russian Government or their Ambassadors in London say or imply that we were under any obligation of any sort. The appeal was made to our interest: it was never suggested that our honour or good faith was involved."

Host Of Witnesses

Grey's statement that the definite understanding formally embodied in the Notes exchanged between himself and Cambon in November, 1912, was honourably kept on both sides is supported by a host of witnesses. The governing passage of that understanding was this:

"From time to time in recent years the French and British naval and military experts have consulted together. It has always been understood that such consultation does not restrict the freedom of either Government to decide at any future time whether or not to assist the other by armed force. We have agreed that consultation between experts is not and ought not to be regarded as an engagement that compels either Government to action in a contingency that has not arisen and may never arise."

Freedom Of Action

Mr. Asquith ("The Genesis of the War," p. 58) says, "The Entente was never converted into an alliance. While working cordially with France and Russia to secure the international equilibrium we kept ourselves free to decide when the occasion arose whether we should or should not go to war." M. Poincaré bears similar testimony:

"The text of the letters exchanged between the French Ambassador and Sir E. Grey was published in England and then in France after the German invasion. The phrasing was simply hypothetical and implied no firm obligation of reciprocal assistance. The British Cabinet did not feel itself able to contract a positive engagement without Parliamentary sanction. When the horizon darkened, therefore, we had no certainty of British intervention, and this was a further reason why our diplomacy never ceased to be prudent."

That the Staff Talks had helped to constitute "an exceedingly potent tie" though no national or political engagement followed the technical discussions, is frankly stated by Mr. Churchill in his "World Crisis."

But as Grey explained to a colleague:

"If there were no military plans made beforehand we should be unable to come to the assistance of France in time, however strongly public opinion in Britain might desire it. We should in effect not have preserved our freedom to help France, but have cut ourselves off from the possibility of doing so unless we had allowed the British and French Staffs to concert plans for common action."

Matter Of Routine

Grey, in fact, accepted the Staff Talks almost as a matter of routine in the then troubled state of international affairs. He insisted, however, that they ought to be kept strictly secret, and, indeed, said in 1911 that he did not know what the experts had settled between them. His concern was that his own hands were not bound.

Apparently most members of the Cabinet were even less con-

THE RIDDLE

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also carried a brush-hook and a water-bag. Very strange indeed he looked to the watching porcupine, who knew very little of men, and was therefore afraid of them.

To him they were great, noisy, long-striding creatures, who were continually chopping or slashing at something—always cutting or breaking down, inveterate destroyers. He felt that he disliked them very much indeed.

Just opposite the porcupine the man stopped, looking at the fence. The wind had torn down a gum-bough and hurled it upon the barbed-wire that ran three-fold above the netting.

He chopped the bough into convenient lengths and stacked the pieces roughly among the undergrowth beyond the clearing. Then he tightened the sagging wire, shook the post to try its firmness, and examined the netting for holes.

"H'm!" he said at last, standing back and surveying his work; "h'm!"

As a parting shot, he slashed at a protruding vine with his brush-hook, uprooted a few weeds that grew in the cleared strip, and then proceeded along the fence.

Long after his footsteps had died away, the porcupine lay curled-up in the shadows. Cautiously he left the protection of

versant than the Foreign Secretary with what was going on, for they did not know that military conversations had been in progress at all. When they found it out at the time of the Agadir crisis in 1911 they were, according to Mr. Lloyd George (War Memoirs, Vol. I, p. 50) "aghast."

"Hostility hardly represents the strength of the sentiment which the revelation aroused: it was more akin to consternation."

The Contingency

Many Ministers in that Cabinet were easily "consternated," and the startled section was only pacified by the exchange of the Grey-Cambon letters, which expressly declared that the two Governments were in no sense committed by the military conversations which had taken place.

"Personally," wrote Mr. Lloyd George in his Memoirs, "I was prepared to accept the Foreign Secretary's assurances that we were not committed," and he was "strengthened in his conviction" by Gen. Sir Henry Wilson's explanations before the Committee of Imperial Defence of the arrangements entered into with the French Foreign Office. "They were contingent," says Mr. Lloyd George, "upon a German attack on Belgium and the march of German divisions through that country to attack France." That was in 1912. The "contingency" actually occurred in 1914.

Did Mr. Lloyd George then regret the Staff Talks of the previous years or the plans which had been worked out for the conveyance of the B.E.F. over the French railways?

Treaty Obligations

He cannot have done so because he says, "I never doubted that if the Germans interfered with the integrity and independence of Belgium we were bound to discharge our treaty obligations to that country." Why, then, does he assail them now as "military entanglements" which "precipitated" the war and prevented the healing ministrations of diplomacy?

The plans may have been right or wrong, sound or unsound. But at least they were plans, and considering the appalling chaos which prevailed outside the range of those plans—where preparations had been left to the inspiration of the moment when the emergency arose—it is a mercy that the strategy, and the transport of the B.E.F. had not to be improvised in a blind hurry when the catastrophe befell.

This clamour against the Anglo-French military and naval conversations before the Great War has no justification in fact. They in no sense precipitated the war or hindered the efforts of the diplomatists. The causes of the war lay wholly outside them. They had nothing to do with the crucial decisions of the British Cabinet in the first week of August except that the knowledge that plans were in existence may have strengthened the waververs, when news came of the invasion of Belgium, to obey what then seemed—and still seems to most plain persons—the stern, inescapable call of duty.

the undergrowth and set out to investigate the fence.

Beyond it he could see a trail of ants travelling across the cleared patch on the other side and making off into the scrub. Pushing and peering at the wire soon convinced him that he could not get through, so he decided to go round.

He walked so far that he forgot his objective, and was enjoying a meal of black-and-white ants that had swarmed on to a branch lying on the ground, when he chanced to glance up and saw another porcupine regarding him intently through the wire netting.

His first instinct was to fall to with renewed vigour, lapping up the ants, for he had no intention of sharing them with anyone—not even so attractive a young porcupine as the newcomer seemed to be.

However, it was not long before he paused in his lapping, and glanced at her once more.

She was still looking at him curiously, almost earnestly, and he now left his meal and wandered over to the fence, just in time to see the fickle young creature disappearing into a clump of fern.

Tut, tut! She might have lingered just a little! He hovered about restlessly, peering through the netting in the hope of catching another glimpse of the unfriendly young lady.

For days he stayed in the locality, eating ants and gazing through the wire, restless and uneasy. Out of this restlessness grew a vague idea; he wanted to see the porcupine again—this particular porcupine.

Of course he had seen any number of them before, walking through the shadowy scrub, but he felt that this one was different. He grew quite annoyed about the matter, for walk up and down as he might, he could never get round the netting to where he knew she lay curled up in the undergrowth on the other side.

Then one happy day she appeared again, and the porcupine tried no more to get round the interminable wire. He knew now with certainty that he must reach her somehow—but how?

Ordinarily he was a quiet, retiring little fellow, unused to making quick decisions. Now, however, he knew that the matter was an urgent one, that some definite step must be taken, and at once!

So that when the porcupine the fern again turned her back upon him, walking off casually into the scrub, he not only formed a plan but proceeded to act upon it.

Rapidly he burrowed his way into the earth beside the netting, the loose soil flying in clouds as he sank deeper and deeper. Down he went, and up, with such fierce energy that he knew he should soon be at the surface again.

But suddenly, right across his path, he came once more upon the exasperating netting! Turned up like a letter L, several inches underground, it still barred his way. Furious, he hunched his body, and with all the strength and pressure of which he was capable worked and pushed and strained until the wire buckled up into the earth above his back.

Then he worked on until he felt himself free of it, and with new energy tunnelled his way to the surface, where he emerged into daylight on the New South Wales side.

Rapidly he crossed the cleared strip, swiftly he melted into the shade where he knew the other porcupine waited for him.

A venturesome New South Wales rabbit scampered up to the tunnel, peered in, pink nose a-quivver, slipped like a flash under the fence, and came out into the forbidden land.

There was great excitement on the Queensland side of the fence.

Jack Dennis, one of the men who patrolled, and repaired it, reported that he had caught sight of a rabbit. Every-one pootled the idea. It was impossible. Rabbits could not break through the fence. Jack must have seen a hare.

This made Dennis faintly sarcastic. As if he didn't know a hare from a rabbit! He got quite huffy about it eventually, but the settlers went on laughing at him or ignoring him.

Rabbit indeed! What was the good of having those chaps patrolling the fence, then? They must be falling down on their jobs badly if the fence were in such disrepair that a rabbit could walk through! Grant, the overseer, a silent, waterfall.

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rather dour, man, said very little. He had gained the position because of his reliability and vigilance. The idea of a hole in the fence troubled him, yet he felt that there was no such hole.

He also felt that there was no rabbit. Jack Dennis must have seen a hare—perhaps a freak hare which was coloured like a rabbit. However, he did not contradict Jack. He merely made a mental note of the matter, and set out to keep a stricter watch than ever.

Perhaps, after all, a particularly enterprising rabbit might gain access somehow. Once through it would be quite easy for him to remain hidden in hundreds of acres of forest, partly choked with undergrowth.

If any of the men had been slack, he could understand it well enough. But they were all, so far as he knew, conscientious workers.

The only thing for him to do was to keep a lynx-like eye on this particular portion. He vowed that if Jack had indeed seen a rabbit, if there was a rabbit in the scrub at all, he would eventually see it for himself.

And so he did. Quite three weeks later he came upon it, tripping in a clearing at sunset—a lonely, but carefree, morsel, a New South Wales rabbit completely at home in Queensland!

Grant blinked; then swallowed hard. It was a rabbit all right! Jack had been quite correct. There was no doubt in the world that it was a rabbit. Even the taciturn Grant became excited.

Every man was thereafter set to examine very carefully every inch of fence, in search of the gap through which the bunny must have entered. Feeling ran high. It was almost as though the rabbit's entry marked a breach of state honour.

Hot upon the trail of an army of red ants, the two porcupines came together towards the boundary fence. All was quiet. On the warm air hung the many odours of flowering vines and trees, and from not very far off came the subdued music of a waterfall.

Suddenly the male porcupine stopped. His mate followed suit. But they did not curl up. It was curiosity which caused them to halt, not fear.

Just through the wire netting, on the Queensland side, lay a trap. And caught in the trap, firmly and inevitably, was a rabbit.

He lay twisted and mangled, and yet in an abandoned sort of attitude, just as he had ended his last struggle as life ebbed out of him.

For quite a while the porcupines waited, sniffing about, listening and watching. Eventually, just as they were about to depart, they heard footsteps—firm, decided footsteps, crushing the loam and leaf-mould—the tread of a man!

Paddling into the undergrowth, the porcupines curled up, watching him through the wire.

At the sight of the dead rabbit, the man uttered an exclamation and went down on his knees by the trap.

"At last!" he cried; "you little blighter! Sorry—with a grin, as he forced back a lever—'but this is what happens to New South Wales rabbits who come into Queensland!' He rose. 'So that's that!'"

It was Grant. He stood there, half in shade and half in sunlight, his blue shirt open at the chest, his wide-brimmed hat pushed back upon his head. From one long, wiry hand dangled the dead rabbit.

"It beats me!" said Grant, aloud, after the habit of men who live much alone: "It fair beats me. Not a hole in the whole length of the fence; not the smallest hole. Now, where in blazes did you get in?"

In his exasperation he gave the body a little shake.

"Where in blazes did you get in, I say?"

But the riddle remained unanswered. Bunny was past hearing, and the porcupine who lay curled-up in the shadow on the New South Wales side would not have told, even if he had been able.

He had no particular affection for rabbits, but men he positively disliked.

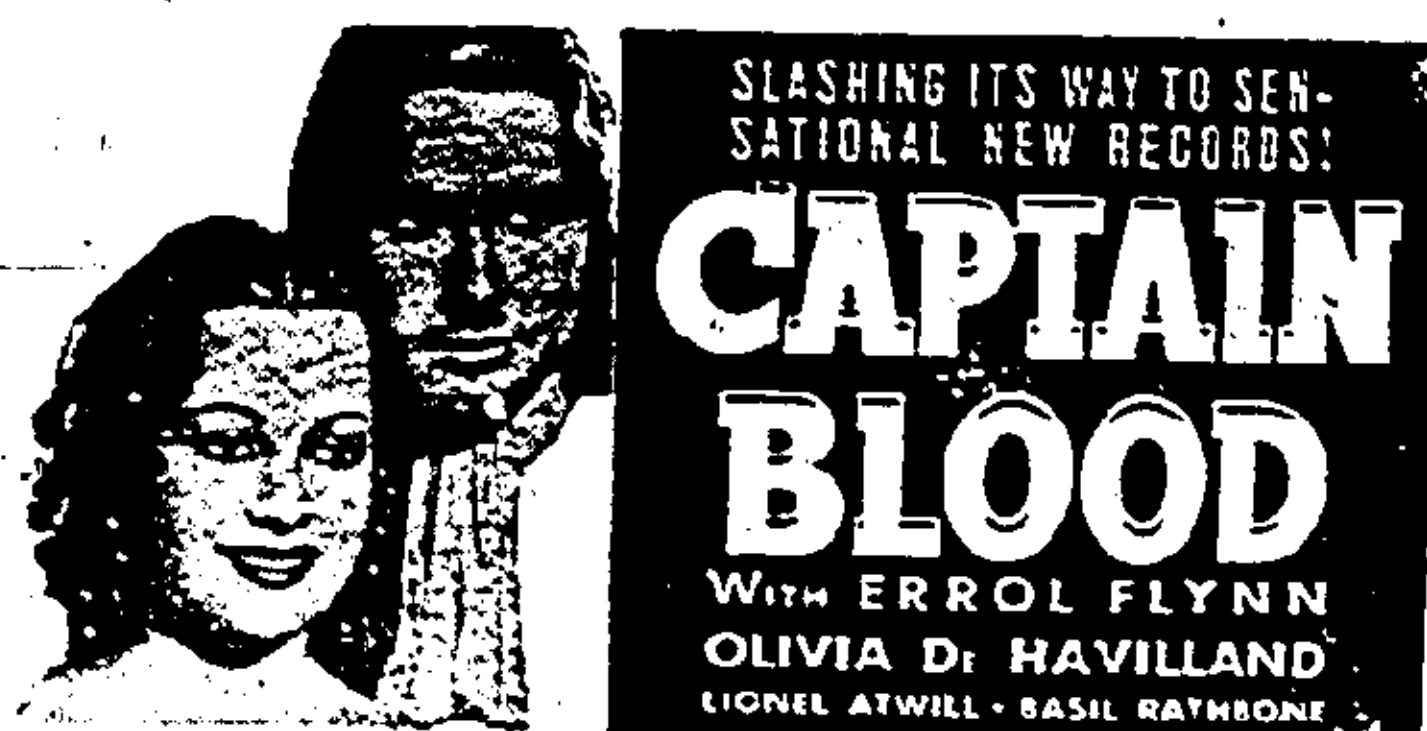
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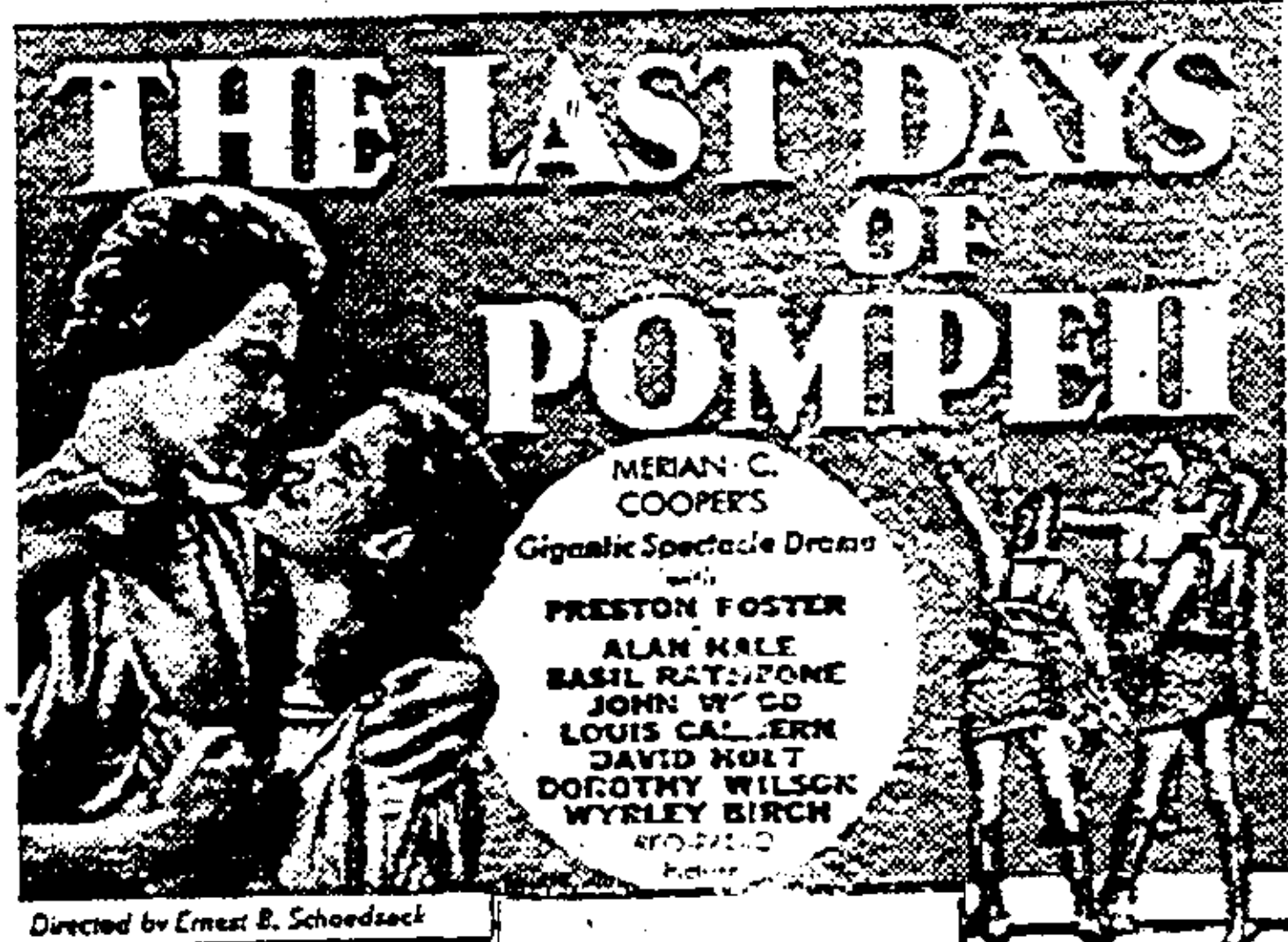
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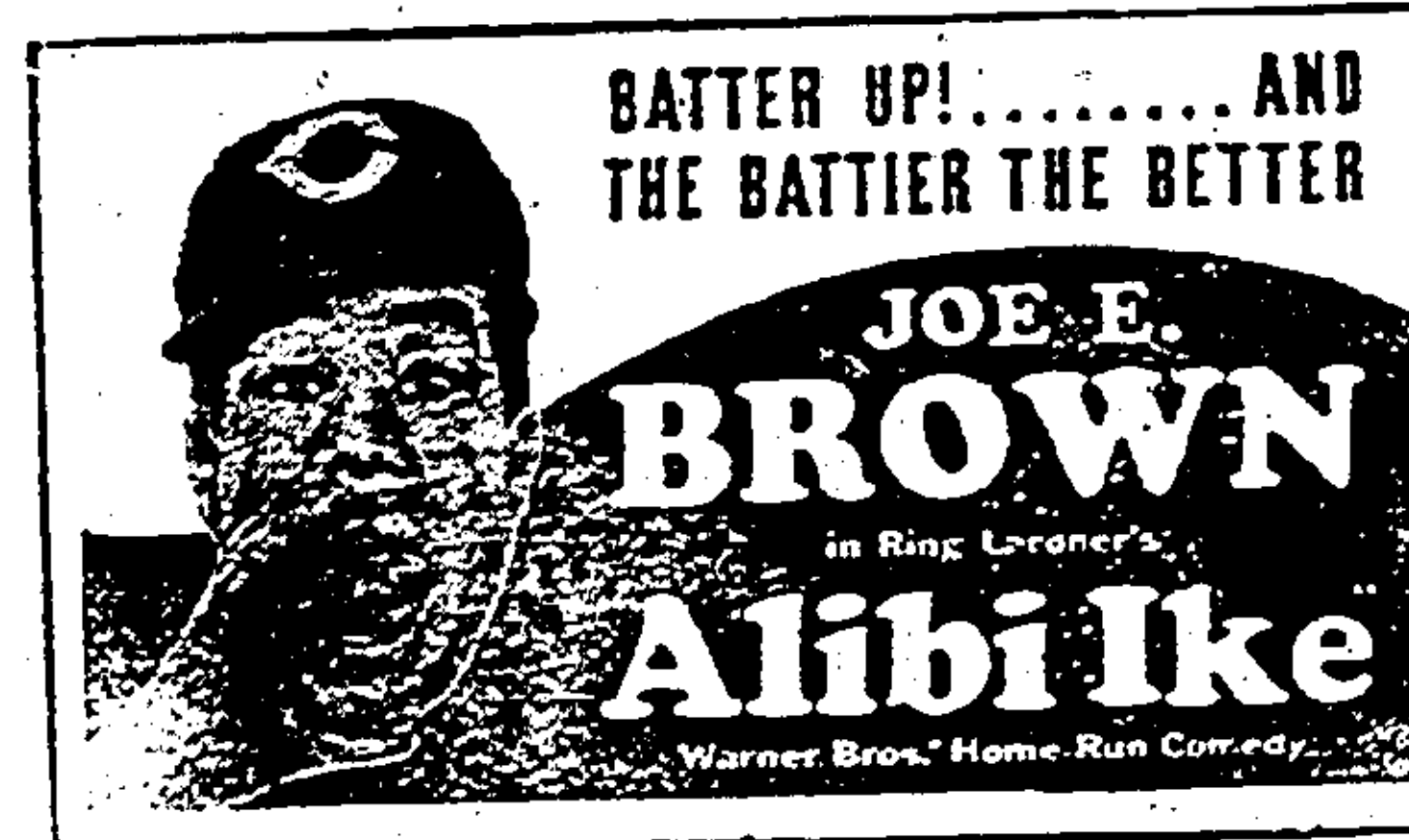
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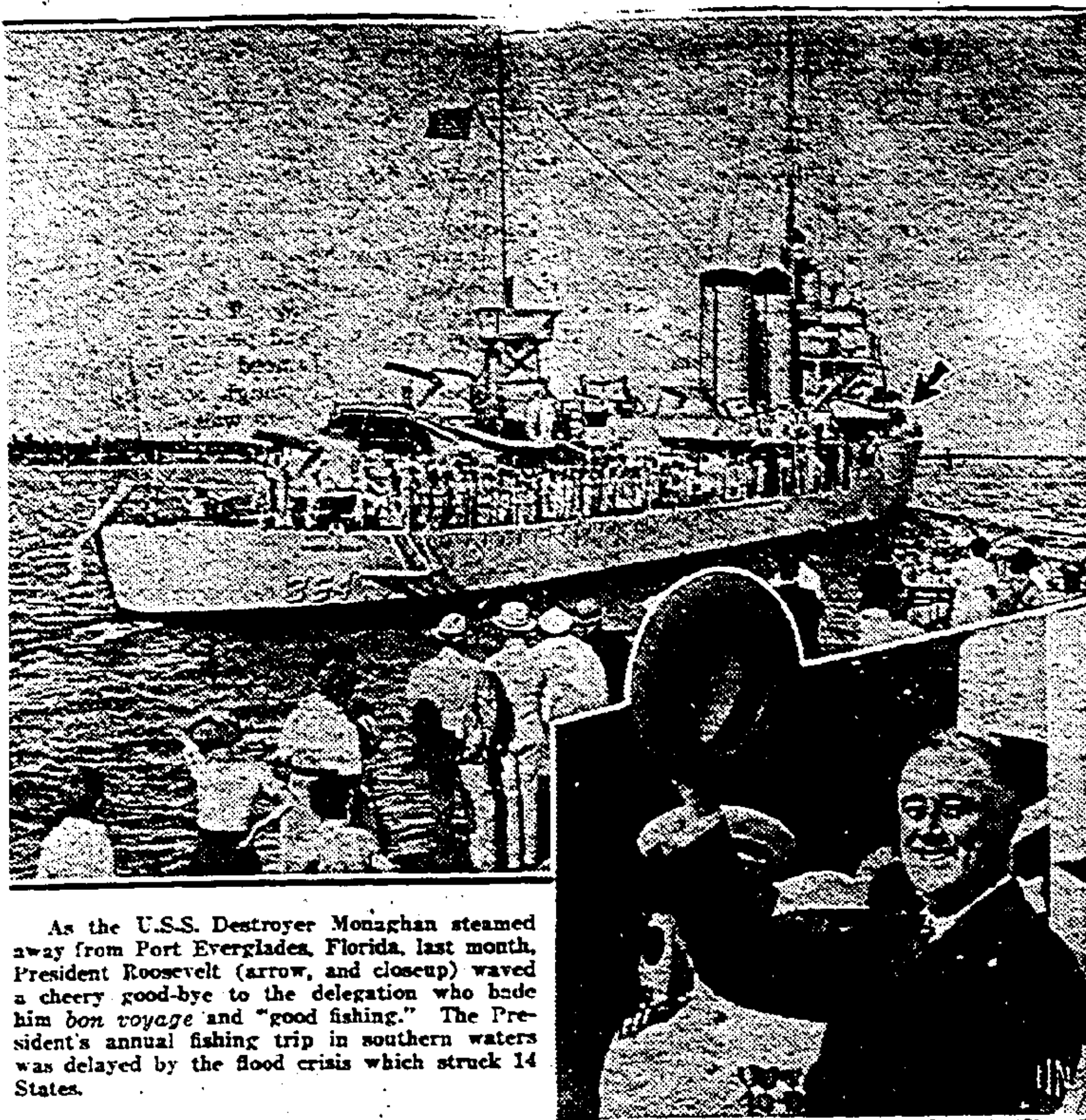


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As the U.S.S. Destroyer Monaghan steamed away from Port Everglades, Florida, last month, President Roosevelt (arrow, and closeup) waved a cheery good-bye to the delegation who bade him bon voyage and "good fishing." The President's annual fishing trip in southern waters was delayed by the flood crisis which struck 14 States.

THREE VESSELS ENDANGERED S.O.S. MESSAGES IN ATLANTIC

New York, To-day.
The St. Quentin has effected repairs and is proceeding on its voyage without assistance. The Piluski, after reaching the Ivanhoe, sent a wireless message to say that she is proceeding, and the Ivanhoe considers that she can await the salvage tug which is on the way to her assistance. The Rushpool is also safe and is proceeding to Liverpool.—Reuter.

EARLIER REPORT
An earlier message said that two British and one Norwegian freighters were reported to be in distress in the North Atlantic. Yesterday morning the British ship St. Quentin, while on her way from Newport to St. John's with a crew of 25, reported that her radio room was flooded and her steering gear damaged. The S.O.S. was picked up by the liners Bremen and Washington, which were racing to the assistance of the distressed ship. The British freighter Rushpool, making from New Orleans to Liverpool with a crew of 35, reported that she was in distress 400 miles from the position of the St. Quentin. The nature of the trouble with the Rushpool was unknown.

The Norwegian freighter Ivanhoe, while on her way to Vancouver, lost her propeller while proceeding to the assistance of the British ships already in distress. The Polish liner Piluski was answering the Ivanhoe's call for help.

DR. SCHACHT AND THE NAZIS

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OFFICIAL VERSION
Berlin: An official announcement was made last night, and it is declared that as the treatment of raw material and foreign exchange necessities co-operation between the different State, Reich and National-Socialist Party Organizations, the Fuehrer and Reich Chancellor has commissioned the Prussian Premier to examine all questions and issue the necessary decrees.

All State and National-Socialist Party authorities have therefore to carry out the instructions issued to them by Field Marshal Goering, who can call on the competent Reich Minister to support him, or if necessary to act as his deputy.—Trans-Ocean Service.

WEATHER REPORT

Pressure is highest in a ridge extending across Mongolia and Manchuria and is relatively low over south-west China. A shallow depression is moving eastward across the Eastern Sea. South and south-east winds, moderate; cloudy generally, was the forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

LETTER TO LOCAL RESIDENT

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"Until we rounded the Horn I was on watch, living just like a man. We were short of water a bit, so that it meant about a quart a day for washing.... My hands, grown horny with much pulling of ropes, were ingrained with most of the contents of the paint locker. My seaboots were rotting on to my feet. I had forgotten how many layers of sweaters I wore and—well, my eyes were wild. But my God I was enjoying myself! I was on the port watch and the Chief, the young devil, encouraged me to be as bad and brazen and grubby as I could. Sometimes, in free watch, I spent an hour or two entertaining the skipper with lurid tales from my past, waving my black fingernails in his freshly shaven face. Like a wise man he waited his opportunity and at last I fell into his clutches! "We didn't have a sight for 15 days before reaching the Horn's longitude. It grew colder and colder, and the sun's zenith must have been scarcely a quarter above the horizon. On the midnight watch the Chief thought his face was going to freeze off, and the next morning—behold the sun and a stilly calm....

"SHE'S A DARLING"

"It would be hard for you to believe how much I have come to venerate and to love Herzogin. She is not only beautiful but so big and strong and grand. She behaves so nobly in a hard blow, when all her stays are a-quiver and the gale is whistling in every tangled rope. She is so graceful, so true, such an aristocrat. When we were hove-to in the South Pacific at 4 a.m. with practically every sail in ribbons and seas sweeping under and sometimes over her, the skipper put me alone at the wheel to free another man for the work in the rigging. Cold and grey and bitter and forlorn though it was, I felt an exultant heart beating under my hand. The mates had lost their voices with shouting, but the Chief whispered as he looked at the compass: 'No other ship could have stood it,' and the skipper a little later, when we were gulping down hot coffee on top of the gin that had been issued to all hands to keep us going, looked up suddenly and said with great conviction: 'She's a darling.' "And so she is, even though some bugs have just found their way into my hitherto 'sanitary' cabin.

STUDYING EACH OTHER

"It will be terrible to leave her and the sea and the sky, this world of the last three months. And I shall miss all the laughter and the joking, too, and the familiarity of everyone. You'll hardly believe me when I say that I don't know my own mother as well as I do the skipper and the Chief. The space is so small, the amusements so few and the vicissitudes so many that we all must study each other, as through

U.S. FLEET ON MANOEUVRES

Six Weeks' Exercises In Pacific

San Pedro, To-day.
The United States battle-fleet of 150 warships of all types, from battleships to submarines, sailed from here yesterday for six weeks' manoeuvres in the Pacific, accompanied by 450 planes in aircraft-carriers and warships.

It is explained that the present exercises were drawn up by the Navy Department a year ago and do not relate to the present international situation.—Reuter.

A.O.B.C. LIQUIDATOR PASSES

Shanghai, To-day.—A message from Philadelphia reports the death of Mr. F. L. Hough, who acted as liquidator recently in the American Oriental Banking Corporation crash.—Reuter.

microscopes. Every hypocrisy wilts. On a fine night with the wind fair you cannot be on deck for five hours with a man who has read Nietzsche and also fought in the Finnish manner with knives and not talk about everything under the heavens. The most private opinions are aired in the shadow of squared yards. Then the skipper, who is very anxious to keep everyone in good health, enquires about the state of one's tummy every week or so. On such foundations is our intimacy built.... "This life seems to have every ingredient that makes a real life. Some wiseacres prophesied that I should be sick of the sea after 50 days. Instead I wish that we were back in the Spencer Gulf and had every arduous and every easy day to live over again. When I am a millionaire I shall buy Herzogin and sail up and down between the Horn and the South Indian Ocean among the snow squalls, the flurry of sleet, the howl of gales and the grey backs of the great westerly seas....

PEOPLE QUITE DIFFERENT

"We ought to be up in Falmouth in 10 or 15 days' time. If I have enough money I am going on to Mariehamn in the Aland Islands, Herzogin's home port. The islanders live in the tradition of 300 years ago. Practically everyone in the ship comes from the islands, and they are quite different to any people I have ever met. In one way very modern, enlightened and so on—in another way they possess all the solid qualities of Teutonic humanity before the industrial age. The skipper's father, grandfather and great-grandfather were all sea captains, and in his village every man is capable of helping to build a ship. Much the same tale is true of the mates.... "This is the first letter I have written for three months, so the phrases go somewhat haltingly. God bless you and your kindness."

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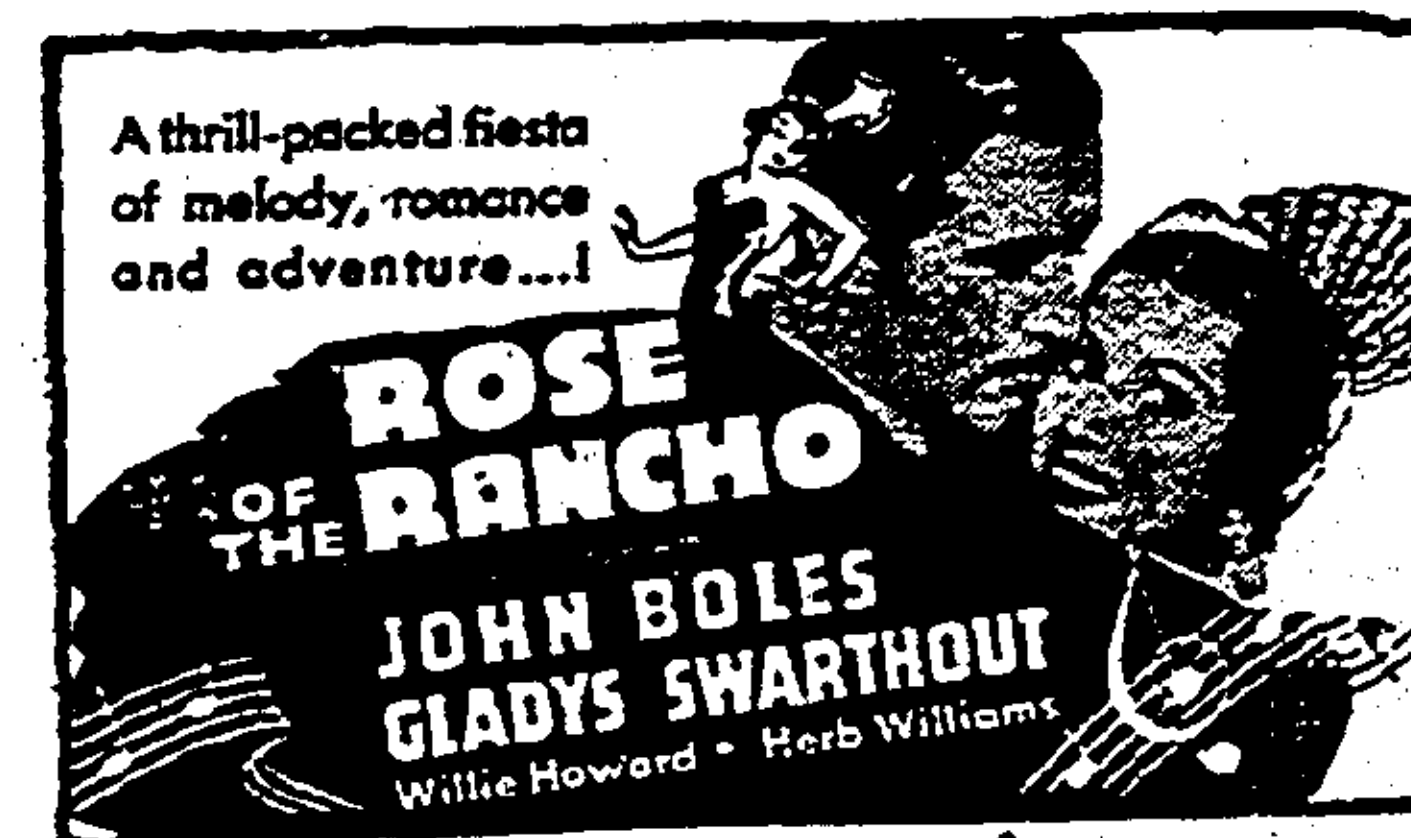


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